

Grove City Community Library

Board Minutes

March 12, 2026

- (1) Board Members attending: Carla Ligo, Dave Kershaw, Heather Leskanic, Vince DiStasi, Lydia Speice, Antonia Thomas
Absent/Excused: Sarah Johnston
Interim Director attending: Scott Amon
- (2) Carla called an executive session at 6:05 p.m. with the purpose of voting to add Grove City resident Kimberly Marks to the board of trustees.
- (3) Members voted unanimously in favor of adding Kimberly to the board following a motion by Lydia and a second from Dave. Kimberly, who is employed as a librarian at the Grove City College library, said community libraries are where everyone can come to learn. She said GCCL is doing great work here, and she is eager to learn more and help however she can.
- (4) Regular meeting began at 6:35 p.m. Dave had to leave meeting due to another obligation.
- (5) Bills Paid, approved unanimously following motion from Antonia and second from Vince; Bill To Be Paid, approved unanimously following motion by Lydia and second from Antonia.
- (6) Minutes from the February meeting were accepted.
- (7) President's Report (from Carla):
 - Formally welcomed new member Kimberly Marks to the board.
 - Library will need to pay \$10,993 toward the American Funds retirement account in order to fully restore it. The library's former director had not been adding the appropriate monies to the account.
 - Carla and Scott have successfully re-established Dr. White's CDs (total of \$3,000). This investment helps provide materials for the library collection.
 - A proposed update to the GC library's unattended minors policy was tabled pending further review.

- Carla said she would speak with staff regarding facility checks at the end of each work day to avert potential issues/problems. Recent incident involved a bad leak in the men's bathroom.
- Pat McIlroy at GCHS is interested in having children's librarian Heather Baker speak with teens about using the library in the summer. GCCL officials are discussing ways to make additional space available for teens at the library.

(8) Library Director's Report (from Scott):

- Currently have \$179,601 in checking account. Investments total a little over \$30,000. Scott said we are covered for this year, financially. It would be beneficial to have an annual report from Iron Point financial consultants and hear any suggestions they may have for us.
- Opst auditors out of Greensburg are to begin a full audit for GCCL later this spring. Cost of the full audit plus the 990 is \$6,600. Scott said he enjoyed working with the firm for last year's financial review. Representatives will be invited to make a presentation to the board of trustees once the report is finalized.
- The library's monthly 50/50 raffle has been going over very well. So far, the library has made \$170 in profit. Scott said they are planning to use the money to cover the cost of Amazon's Business Prime, for the purpose of purchasing books.
- Dr. Sarah Petersen, who met with the board last fall, is continuing to research possible grants that would help GCCL.
- Waiting to hear from GC United Way regarding application for funding.
- Scott said an issue regarding the library's W2s from 2023, which had been appropriately filed with the state as required, has been resolved.
- Library will be closed Friday, April 3, for Good Friday, and Saturday, April 4, for the Easter holiday.
- The library will host its annual Breakfast with the Easter Bunny and egg hunt on Friday, April 3. Heather Baker has also scheduled the popular spring tea party for April 10. Her children's storytime sessions now feature

seasonal visits to the College View Towers senior center for special activities.

- The library has numerous single-day fundraisers scheduled at area businesses, where a portion of that day's proceeds benefit GCCL. This includes Beans on Broad on March 13 and Blackout Burger on April 19.
- The pop-up sales are continuing to go over well at the library. There is a children's book sale now underway. The DVD sales do especially well, typically bringing in about \$700 each time. Antonia asked if library officials have considered bringing the annual used book sale (which was moved to the GC Memorial Park a number of years ago and changed from a 2-week sale to a single-day sale), back to the library. She said the library made more money on the sale before it was moved to the park and suggested it could be a long weekend sale and include specialty pricing for certain books. Scott said this fall they are planning to make a significant change to the sale setup. It will feature pricing per book instead of the "price per bag" of books. He added the library is receiving a high volume of donated books that are sorted at the library and then stored at the Masonic Hall shed, which the organization generously provides at no cost to GCCL.
- Pine Twp had requested financial documents from the library in January. Scott said he forwarded the documents as requested but has not received any additional correspondence.
- Patron visits on Saturdays have been picking up since the library restarted those hours in January. The library is also open later on Mondays and Fridays.

(9) Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Next meeting is Thursday, April 9.

Minutes submitted by Heather Leskanić, board secretary, on April 7, 2026.