

Southgate Veterans Memorial Library Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday January 14, 2026

Meeting called to order at 4:16 p.m. by: Kim Guentner

In attendance: Don Priest. **Commission Members:** Kim Guentner, Mary Lamos, Miranda Wieman, Cathy Nowicki, Hailey Zayac, and Suzanne Straub

Excused: Beth Altizer

Additions to the Agenda: Librarians would like to address the commission

Approval of minutes: Mary Lamos motions to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Cathy Nowicki seconds. Motion carries unanimously.

Director's Report given by Don Priest: A copy of the report was given to all members at the meeting and emailed to those members who were absent.

Financial Report: None

New Business

- **Heritage Days Parade** - Don received a request from the Heritage Days Committee for the Library Commission members to participate in the parade. The commission will take it into consideration.
- **Converting Two Rooms** – Don showed the commission members space that he would like to convert to two small rooms. This would provide two quiet and private areas for members.
- **Librarians Request** - Jennifer Pickles, Amie Fuentes, and Barbara Keresztury spoke to the commission regarding their request to their union for fair pay and representation.

Old Business

- **Conference Room Carpet** – The installation is complete and the new carpet looks great.
- **Library Design Associates Proposal** – The proposal has been accepted by City Council.
- **Library Mural** – The proposal from Rhiannan has been accepted and the projected is slated to begin in March.
- **Copier Replacement** – The proposal from Applied Innovation has been accepted by City Council;
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Member's comments "for the good of the order" – None

Public Comments or questions – None

Adjournment: Cathy Nowicki motions to adjourn at 5:02. Miranda Wieman seconds. All were in favor. Motion carries unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted on January 15, 2026, by Mary Lamos