

**Noyes Library for Young Children  
Library Advisory Committee  
Minutes of Meeting  
March 13, 2025  
7:30 p.m. on Zoom**

Present: Amanda Arkwright McCarthy, Kate Sweeney, Lori McCarthy, Mark Winek, Mary McCarthy, Alexandra Dillon, Chris Leahy

Absent: Paulette Dickerson, Kavita Mohan

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by Amanda McCarthy, Chair.

Two new members, Mary McCarthy and Alexandra Dillon, were introduced.

Minutes of the January 9, 2025, meeting were approved.

Library Management Report by Regional Manager Kate Sweeney:

Personnel - There are three staff members - one full time, one part-time, and one part-time library assistant who works during library open hours. The library assistant position is vacant. Interviews have taken place, and an offer may have been made.

Renovation - The county is in negotiations with a contractor. Library staff members are doing things to get ready for the start of the project. They are getting rid of things that are not needed and repairing hazards but nothing else. They are using up supplies.

Programs - Programs are still located inside but will move outside as soon as possible. Currently there are twice weekly story times and Wednesday and Saturday programs.

Collection - The staff is weeding out old books but continuing to receive new ones, too.

Mocomacon is taking place at the Germantown Library in two weeks.

A further discussion of the renovation took place. Plans for the new building include a new basement for programs and restrooms and a new second floor for administrative offices. The main floor will house the collection. An elevator tower will be built at the north end of the building. Amanda pointed out that a lot of different groups are working to get this project done, and therefore there are many moving parts.

The Library Board Liaison Report was sent separately in advance by Kavita Mohan.

Old Business - Discussion of a LAC sponsored table at a spring program in order to recruit new members. Amanda will circulate a doodle to find out when LAC members might be available to do this.

New Business - Kate mentioned that there should be LAC elections for chair and secretary in May. A schedule for meetings in 2025-2026 should also be created. There was some discussion of how many times the LAC should meet when the building is closed for renovation. Kate said that five meetings need to be scheduled, but only three need to be held.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13. Next meeting is May 8, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris Leahy, Secretary