

# HENNEPIN COUNTY

## LIBRARY BOARD




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### April 23, 2026, 5:30-6:30p.m.

Ridgedale Library | Room 174 | 12601 Ridgedale Dr. | Minnetonka, MN 55305

# Library Board Agenda

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Attendance
-  3. Approval of Agenda\*
-  4. Approval of April 24, 2025, Meeting Minutes\*
5. Committee procedures
6. Library Board Officers to report on May 20, 2026
-  7. Adjourn\*

### Library Board

Jessica Kraft, President | Lynn Stetler, Vice President | Amal Karim, Secretary | Erin Brudvik | Kimberly Connolly | Michael Hogan | Kim Kang | Randy Klauk | Ashley Krohn | Rebecca Lowen | Mike Sorensen

Library Director  
Scott Duimstra



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### Nominating Committee

#### Meeting Minutes

The Hennepin County Library Board Nominating Committee met on April 24, 2025, at Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Room, 12601 Ridgedale Drive, Minnetonka.

#### Attendees

**Present:** Amal Karim (Chair), Gordy Aune, Jr., Lynn Stetler.

**Other Library Board Members Present:** Kimberly Connolly, Jessica Kraft

**Hennepin County Staff:** Scott Duimstra, Lillian Albrecht, J.R. Genett, Amy McNally, Char Kimber

#### Call to Order

Chair Amal Karim called the Nominating Committee meeting of April 24, 2025, to order at 6:13 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

#### Attendance of Library Board Members

Library Board Clerk Lillian Albrecht took the roll call. The Board met the quorum with three committee members present.

#### Approval of Agenda

Motion: Stetler

Second: Aune, Jr.

Motion passed.

#### Approval of April 24, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Motion: Aune, Jr.

Second: Stetler

Motion passed.

#### Committee Procedures

The Committee reviewed Committee and Library Board procedures for nominating officers.

#### Library Board

Jessica Kraft, President | Lynn Stetler, Vice President | Amal Karim, Secretary | Gordy Aune, Jr. | Jane Brissett | Erin Brudvik  
| Erin Carney | Kimberly Connolly | Michael Hogan | Randy Klauk | Ashley Krohn

#### Library Director

Scott Duimstra



### [Library Board Officers to Report to Full Library Board on May 14, 2025](#)

The Nominating Committee recommends the following members for Executive Officers: Jessica Kraft as President, Lynn Stetler as Vice President, Amal Karim as Secretary.

President – Jessica Kraft

Motion: Aune, Jr.

Seconded: Stetler

Motion passed.

Vice President – Lynn Stetler

Motion: Aune, Jr.

Seconded: Karim

Motion passed.

Secretary – Amal Karim

Motion: Stetler

Seconded: Aune, Jr.

Motion passed.

### [Adjourn](#)

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 p.m.

Motion: Stetler

Seconded: Aune, Jr.

Motion passed.

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Amal Karim, Secretary

	Erin Brudvik	Kim Connolly	Mike Hogan	Kim Kang	Amal Karim	Randy Klauk	Jessica Kraft	Ashley Krohn	Rebecca Lowen	Mike Sorensen	Stetler Lynn
<b>Officers*</b>											
President											X
Vice President					X						
Secretary	X										
<b>Committees**</b>											
Budget Committee Chair								X			X
Budget Committee Member	X	X	X					X	X	X	X
Executive Committee Member^	X	X			X		X	X			X
Friends of Library Ex Officio	X	X		X							X
Nominating Committee^^ Chair					X						
Nominating Committee Member	X				X						X
Policy Committee Chair											
Policy Committee Member	X			X		X	X	X		X	
<b>Notes</b>				Library Leadership circle donor for FHCL				Certain about Policy. Toss up between Exec. and Budget.		Only wants to serve on 1	

**Bylaws state:**

\***Officers:** At the annual meeting (May 14), the Library Board shall elect a President, Vice President and a Secretary (see more info under Nominating Committee)

\*\***Committees:** The President, with the concurrence of the Library Board, may appoint standing and ad hoc committees. The President shall designate the Chair who shall preside at all meetings of the committee. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice-Chair shall preside....No Committee shall consist of less than three members or more than five member....The President shall appoint all committees not otherwise ordered by the Bylaws or the Library Board. (This means all committees other than the Executive Committee and the Nominating Committee.) The President or designee shall serve as an ex officio member on the Friends of the Hennepin County Library Board.

^**Executive Committee:** The Executive Committee shall consist of five members: the President, the Vice-President, the Secretary, the immediate Past President, and an additional member or members selected by the President.

^^**Nominating Committee:** The President, with the concurrence of the Library Board, shall appoint a Nominating Committee at least one month prior to the annual meeting to determine recommendations for officers. The nominating committee is a standing committee of the Board. The President shall designate a Chair who shall preside at all meetings of the committee. In the absence of the Chair, the committee shall elect Chair pro tem. The committee will consist of an odd number of members...The chair of the Committee will present the nominations for each office at the annual meeting. After each nomination per office, the chair will call for further nominations from the floor, conduct the election for that office, and then repeat this procedure for each of the offices...With the exception of the Nominating Committee, the President of the Board shall be an ex officio member of all committees and shall have a full vote upon all matters at the committee meetings the President may attend.

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### Library Board Officer and Committee Form of Interest

**Name:** Erin Brudvik

**Committee(s) of interest (multiple allowed, minimum one, add a note if you're interested in serving as a committee chair)**

- Budget and Long-term Planning (3 meetings/year)
- Executive Committee (6 meetings/year)
- Nominating Committee (1 meeting/year)
- Policy Committee (6 meetings/year)
- Friends of Hennepin County Library Board Ex-officio member  
*In this role, a Library Board member serves as the liaison between the two Boards. They will attend quarterly FHCL Board meetings at Minneapolis Central Library.*

**Positions of interest (more than one allowed):**

President

Vice-President

Secretary

Member at Large

None this year

**Year appointed to the Library Board:** 2025

**Position(s) held:** Member, Policy Committee

**Please provide a brief statement of interest:** 250 character limit

I have experience with creating organizational policies, large-scale budgets and fundraising. I've enjoyed the policy committee for the last year and would like to stay on that committee but am happy to take on another role as well, if needed.



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Name: Jessica Kraft

Committee(s) of interest (multiple allowed, minimum one, add a note if you're interested in serving as a committee chair)

Budget and Long-term Planning (3 meetings/year)

Executive Committee (6 meetings/year)

Nominating Committee (1 meeting/year)

Policy Committee (6 meetings/year)

Friends of Hennepin County Library Board Ex-officio member

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Positions of interest (more than one allowed):

President

Past president

Vice-President

Secretary

Member at Large

None this year

Year appointed to the Library Board: 2023

Position(s) held: President

Please provide a brief statement of interest:

*250 character limit*



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Library Board Officer and Committee Form of Interest

Name: Amal Karim

Committee(s) of interest (multiple allowed, minimum one, add a note if you're interested in serving as a committee chair)

Budget and Long-term Planning (3 meetings/year)

Executive Committee (6 meetings/year)

Nominating Committee (1 meeting/year) — Happy to stay on as chair for one more year.

Policy Committee (6 meetings/year)

Friends of Hennepin County Library Board Ex-officio member

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Positions of interest (more than one allowed):

President

Vice-President

Secretary

Member at Large

None this year

Year appointed to the Library Board: 2021(?)

Position(s) held: Nominating Committee Chair (3 years); Secretary (2 years)

Please provide a brief statement of interest:

250 character limit

*Happy to continue on in my current roles, with the caveat that I will be having my baby in June 2026, so there will be at least 2-3 months where I will excuse myself from all HCL Board meetings.*



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Library Board Officer and Committee Form of Interest

Name: *Mike Hogan*

Committee(s) of interest (multiple allowed, minimum one, add a note if you're interested in serving as a committee chair)

Budget and Long-term Planning (3 meetings/year) - *Interested*

Executive Committee (6 meetings/year)

Nominating Committee (1 meeting/year)

Policy Committee (6 meetings/year)

Friends of Hennepin County Library Board Ex-officio member

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Positions of interest (more than one allowed):

President

Vice-President

Secretary

Member at Large

None this year

Year appointed to the Library Board: *?*

Position(s) held: *Policy Comm. Chair*

Please provide a brief statement of interest:  
*250 character limit*



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Library Board Officer and Committee Form of Interest

Name: Mike Sorensen

Committee(s) of interest (multiple allowed, minimum one, add a note if you're interested in serving as a committee chair)

Budget and Long-term Planning (3 meetings/year)

Executive Committee (6 meetings/year)

Nominating Committee (1 meeting/year)

Policy Committee (6 meetings/year)

would like to serve on one committee. You can pick which one.

Friends of Hennepin County Library Board Ex-officio member

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Positions of interest (more than one allowed):

President

Vice-President

Secretary

Member at Large

None this year

Year appointed to the Library Board: 2026

Position(s) held: —

Please provide a brief statement of interest:

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As a local gov't employee myself, I have some experience managing budgets and reading and following policy. I am interested to learn how HCLib approaches those topics.



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Library Board Officer and Committee Form of Interest

Name: Ashley?

Committee(s) of interest (multiple allowed, minimum one, add a note if you're interested in serving as a committee chair)

\* Budget and Long-term Planning (3 meetings/year) | can chair if no one else member expresses interest, but I'm fine handing off if someone else wants it.  
Executive Committee (6 meetings/year)  
Nominating Committee (1 meeting/year)

\* Policy Committee (6 meetings/year) - member

Friends of Hennepin County Library Board Ex-officio member

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Positions of interest (more than one allowed):

President

Vice-President

Secretary

Member at Large

~~None this year~~

- But I would need to drop off Budget to allow for the meetings. Alas I don't have time for 24 meetings this coming year.

Year appointed to the Library Board:

reappointed 2026, 1st in 2023

Position(s) held:

Budget Committee (member + chair), Policy (member + former chair)

Please provide a brief statement of interest:

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Nominating (member), EXEC (former member @ large)

I'd love to continue my work on the Policy committee. I'm a nerd for analyzing + creating good policy. I'm interested in staying on the budget committee but if others want it we'll make space I'm willing to step back. I am interested in joining the EXEC Committee to lead toward leadership in later years. I would prioritize EXEC over Budget.



Rebecca Lowery

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Library Board Officer and Committee Form of Interest

Name:

Committee(s) of interest (multiple allowed, minimum one, add a note if you're interested in serving as a committee chair)

Budget and Long-term Planning (3 meetings/year)

Executive Committee (6 meetings/year)

Nominating Committee (1 meeting/year)

Policy Committee (6 meetings/year)

Friends of Hennepin County Library Board Ex-officio member

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Positions of interest (more than one allowed):

President

Vice-President

Secretary

Member at Large

None this year

Year appointed to the Library Board: 2026

Position(s) held:

Please provide a brief statement of interest:

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*As a new Board member, I believe it is important to gain knowledge of the library budget; this will give me foundational information for understanding the HCL system.*



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Library Board Officer and Committee Form of Interest

Name: *Kim Kang*

Committee(s) of interest (multiple allowed, minimum one, add a note if you're interested in serving as a committee chair)

Budget and Long-term Planning (3 meetings/year)

Executive Committee (6 meetings/year)

Nominating Committee (1 meeting/year)

Policy Committee (6 meetings/year)

Friends of Hennepin County Library Board Ex-officio member

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Positions of interest (more than one allowed):

President

Vice-President

Secretary

Member at Large

None this year

Year appointed to the Library Board: *2024*

Position(s) held:

Please provide a brief statement of interest:

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*My background is non-profit governance and legislative advocacy, I feel I would be a good fit for the Policy Committee. I'm detail oriented and excel at research and data analysis.*

*I have also been a Library Leadership Circle donor for the past couple of years for the Friends of Hennepin County Library and a subscriber to the Pen Pals lecture program.*



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Library Board Officer and Committee Form of Interest

Name: *Kim Connolly*

Committee(s) of interest (multiple allowed, minimum one, add a note if you're interested in serving as a committee chair)

*Budget and Long-term Planning (3 meetings/year)*

*Executive Committee (6 meetings/year)*

Nominating Committee (1 meeting/year)

Policy Committee (6 meetings/year)

*Friends of Hennepin County Library Board Ex-officio member*

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Positions of interest (more than one allowed):

President

Vice-President

Secretary

*Member at Large*

None this year

Year appointed to the Library Board:

Position(s) held:

Please provide a brief statement of interest:

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### Library Board Officer and Committee Form of Interest

**Name:** Lynn Stetler

**Committee(s) of interest (multiple allowed, minimum one, add a note if you're interested in serving as a committee chair)**

Budget and Long-term Planning (3 meetings/year) X Chair

Executive Committee (6 meetings/year) X

Nominating Committee (1 meeting/year) X

Policy Committee (6 meetings/year)

Friends of Hennepin County Library Board Ex-officio member X

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**Positions of interest (more than one allowed):**

President X

Vice-President

Secretary

Member at Large

None this year

**Year appointed to the Library Board:** 2021

**Position(s) held:** At-Large, Secretary, Vice-President

**Please provide a brief statement of interest:**

It's logical for me to step into the role of President after serving as Vice-President for the last few years.

