

**BRAINERD MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF
TRUSTEES**

September 25, 2025
Meeting Minutes

ATTENDING VIA ZOOM: Terry Twigg, Andrew Maloney, Pam Crum, Susan Thompson, Danielle Truscott- Kaufman, Margaret Adams, Lynne Cooper, Deb Rutter, Mary Karkutt-Kulak

ABSENT: Kaycee Blancaflor, David Neal, Kim Rek

Overview/Meeting Purpose

This meeting was held to vote on four new state mandated policies and one form update. The board unanimously approved these policies as well as the reconsideration request form. The full policies and reconsideration request form are attached.

Andrew summarized the reason for these policies as follows:

- Protect library employees from legal action related to their collections development, program and display curation, and the like.

- Establish legally defensible best practices in case of challenges to our library materials, programs, or displays.
- Make clear that only those persons with a vested interest in Haddam can individually request reconsideration of library materials, programs, or displays.

There was also a vote held to approve an increase in Andrew's temporary check signing authority during Terry Twigg's absence.

- This measure was necessary because Terry Twigg will be away for two weeks, and our treasurer, Lynne, has not yet been added to the bank accounts.
- The board unanimously passed a motion granting Andrew authority to sign checks in any amount from September 26, 2025, through October 10, 2025, provided he informs Lynne first.