

209 North Ruby Street, Ellensburg WA 98926

**LIBRARY BOARD MEETING**

**4:30pm, Tuesday, April 14, 2026**

**Council Conference Room/Zoom**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81486782431>

**AGENDA**

- I. Call to order, welcome guest(s)**
- II. Approval of the Agenda**
- III. Approval of February 27, 2026, Minutes**
- IV. Citizen Comment/Suggestions**
- V. Reports**
  - A. Director Report
  - B. Budget Report
  - C. Friends of the Library Report
  - D. Library Birthday Event
- VI. Unfinished Business**
  - A. Library Levels of Service Standards
  - B. Comprehensive Plan Chapter
  - C. Library Survey
- VII. New Business**
  - A. Library Reorganization and proposed plan
- VIII. Unscheduled Business**
- IX. Upcoming Programs/Events**
  - April 4/18 FOL Book Barn Sale, 10:30pm-1:30pm
  - April 11 Seed Swap, 10am-12pm, HH Lobby
  - April 16-18 Washington Library Association Conference
  - April 22 Collage Club, 6-7:30pm, HH
  - April 28 One Book One County Author Talk Sarita Dasgupta, 6:30pm, HH

**Next meeting May 12, 2026**

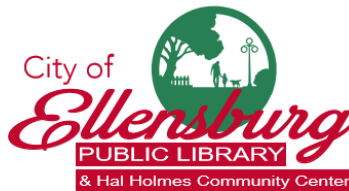
**Location: Council Conference Room**

**CITY OF ELLENSBURG**

**Date of Meeting:**

**Time of Meeting:**

**Place of Meeting:**



**LIBRARY BOARD**

**February 27, 2026**

**4:45 p.m.**

**Council Conference Room**

Richard Moreno, Chair term expires 12- 31-2026

Josh Aubol, term expires 12-31-2027

Vikki Carpenter, Co-Chair, term expires 12-31-2028

Andreina Delgado, term expires 12-31-2028

Mary James, term expires 12-31-2027

Emily Brown-Pratz, term expires 12- 31-2030

Marty Blackson, term expires 12- 31-2027

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Moreno called the meeting to order at 4:56 p.m.

**II. ATTENDANCE**

PRESENT: Josh Aubol, Vikki Carpenter, Marty Blackson, Emily Brown-Pratz, Andreina Delgado, Mary James, Rich Moreno

ABSENT (excused): None

COUNCIL LIAISON: Sarah Beauchamp

GUEST(S): None

OTHERS PRESENT: Josephine Camarillo, staff

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion made by Blackson to approve agenda with amendments; motion seconded by Carpenter.

**Motion approved. Motion passed 7-0.**

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of February 10, 2026, minutes tabled till the next meeting on April 14, 2026.

**V. CORRESPONDENCE AND CITIZEN COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS**

None

**VI. REPORTS**

A. Director Report: Department Supervisors presented 2025 highlights and 2026 goals during staff retreat.

B. Budget Report: 2<sup>nd</sup> preliminary December 2025 budget. Total library expenditures ending at about 95% for 2025. January 2026 budget not yet available.

C. Friends of the Library Report: No report.

D. Library Birthday Event: No report

**VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. None

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. March meeting on, March 10<sup>th</sup>, will not be a regular meeting but a study session to finish Comprehensive Plan chapter and Level of Services Standards.

**IX. UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS**

- A. National Library Week, April 19-25, 2026.
- B. FISH Food Bank will be hosting a book drive.

**X. UPCOMING PROGRAMS/EVENTS**

Upcoming events presented.

**XI. NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, March 10, 2026- Special meeting study session.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned by Moreno at 5:10 p.m.

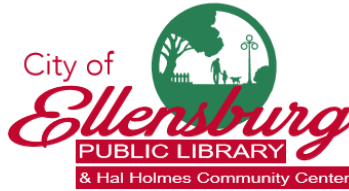
Respectfully submitted,  
Josephine Camarillo, Director

**CITY OF ELLENSBURG**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Moreno called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

**II. ATTENDANCE**

PRESENT: Josh Aubol, Marty Blackson, Emily Brown-Pratz, Mary James, Rich Moreno

ABSENT (excused): Vikki Carpenter, Andreina Delgado

COUNCIL LIAISON: Sarah Beauchamp (absent)

GUEST(S): None

OTHERS PRESENT: Josephine Camarillo, staff and Eli Carr, EPD

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion made by Blackson to approve agenda with amendments; motion seconded by Aubol.

**Motion approved. Motion passed 5-0.**

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by James to approve January 2026 minutes; motion seconded by Blackson.

**Motion approved. Motion passed 5-0.**

**V. CORRESPONDENCE AND CITIZEN COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS**

None

**VI. REPORTS**

E. Director Report: Attending Council budget retreat on Feb. 6. 2026. Summer Reading theme is Unearth a Story (geology, dinosaurs, etc.). HH hosted Missoula Children’s Theatre

F. Budget Report: 1<sup>st</sup> preliminary December 2025 budget looked well. Total library expenditures ending at about 95% for 2025.

G. Friends of the Library Report: FOL approved to fund one single space POD.

H. Library Birthday Event: Library birthday was a great success with nearly 200 people stopping by. Collage Club program attendance increasing and has been well received. Next celebration will be Wednesday, January 20, 2027.

**VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- B. Levels of Service Standards: Director will edit Library chapter in Comp plan and will send to Board prior to next meeting. Levels of Service will also be reviewed at next meeting with James and Director's suggested edits.
- C. Library user survey- Eli Carr, EPD visited Library Board to speak on City Customer Service Satisfaction survey and Community survey. City surveys target rollout expected April 2026. Library survey with more qualitative questions will follow in July with results review by September/October

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

- B. Staff Retreat: Staff retreat will take place on Friday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>. Library Board scheduled to attend 3:30pm-5:30pm for their regular meeting in lieu of March regular meeting. Supervisors will be presenting their 2025 highlights and goals for the upcoming year. Regular Board meeting will be 5pm-5:30pm. March meeting on, March 10<sup>th</sup>, will not be a regular meeting but a study session to finish Comp. plan chapter and Level of Services.

**IX. UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS**

- C. National Library Week, April 19-25, 2026.

**X. UPCOMING PROGRAMS/EVENTS**

Upcoming events presented.

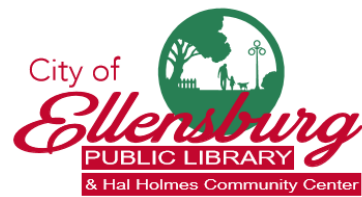
**XI. NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, February 27, 2026, at Hal Holmes during staff retreat.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned by Moreno at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Josephine Camarillo, Director



**LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT**

TO: Library Board, City Manager  
 FROM: Josephine Camarillo, Library Director  
 DATE: March 2026

**Meetings:** Staff, Supervisors, City Manager, Morning Rotary, Dept. Directors, FOL, CARE

**Director:** Staff Retreat on Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> went well with all staff in attendance. Presented at Ellensburg Academy. Library session included about 25 attendees with special guest Dino-shore 😊. Cle Elum library manager Jane Agar retired at the end of March. New staffing model presented to staff. Phase 1 will begin on April 16.

**Adult Services:** March Pod People hosted largest attendance yet with 7 and will break until October 2026. Winter Bingo is complete with 49 single row finishers and 7 blackouts. Yahtzee Tournament was a full house with 28 participants and loads of fun. The current passive program is the Spring Book Hunt and Raffle. Pyper and Alyssa participated in the Ellensburg Academy tour of the library and RJ toured the Archives for the annual Friends of the Library meeting. We have applied for a grant to fund the larger meeting/study pod. Pyper and Josephine met with Mobile Beacon to discuss hotspot units and service. There were 2283 eAudio books checkouts; 2881 eBooks checkouts; 505 Computer Lab Users; 1933 wireless printing; 8 hotspot checkouts

**Technical Services:** 355 physical items added to the collection, 298 physical items deleted from the collection during the last month. Suggestions to Purchase: there were a total of 53 Suggestions to Purchase for the April 1 order.

**Youth Services:** Fun and busy month with Book Bingo, completing with 15 finishers this month. The bird activity table was fun with plush local varieties, nesting materials, eggs and bird books that had a button for bird calls. Art activity table had simple stencils and color pencils for developing dexterity. Cece has a lively crew of D&D teens with more families expressing interest! Sign-ups are already full for April. Sue has been cleaning out and organizing YS basement materials. We are fortunate to still have the extra help of teen interns, Finley Chambers and teen mentee, Bobbie Baptista.

**Hal Holmes:** Private-3, NonProfit-2, Sponsored-5, Total-61

In March we helped host 2 Ellensburg Academies and space for BARS training for the COE Finance Dept. Noon classical music concert by Kairos was well attended and as well as the Yahtzee tournament. Our weekly and monthly regular sponsored events are running smoothly as we head towards the final quarter wrap up of before summer programming begins and some of our groups take a break or end their series.

**Circulation:**

Circulation Statistics	Feb-26	Jan-26	% chg	Feb-25	% chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	% chg
Physical Items	9538	10648	-11%	9564	-1%	20186	20335	-1%
Electronic Items	4761	5518	-16%	4830	-1%	10308	10086	2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14299</b>	<b>16,166</b>	<b>-13%</b>	<b>14394</b>	<b>-1%</b>	<b>30494</b>	<b>30421</b>	<b>0%</b>

Circulation Statistics	Mar-26	Feb-26	% chg	Mar-25	% chg	2026 YTD	2025 YTD	% chg
Physical Items	10086	9538	5%	10876	-8%	30272	31211	-4%
Electronic Items	5202	4761	8%	5078	2%	15510	15164	2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15288</b>	<b>14,299</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>15954</b>	<b>-4%</b>	<b>45782</b>	<b>46375</b>	<b>-1%</b>



Ellensburg Academy- Dina Shore



BookWorms



Yahtzee Tournament

Jane Agar Retirement

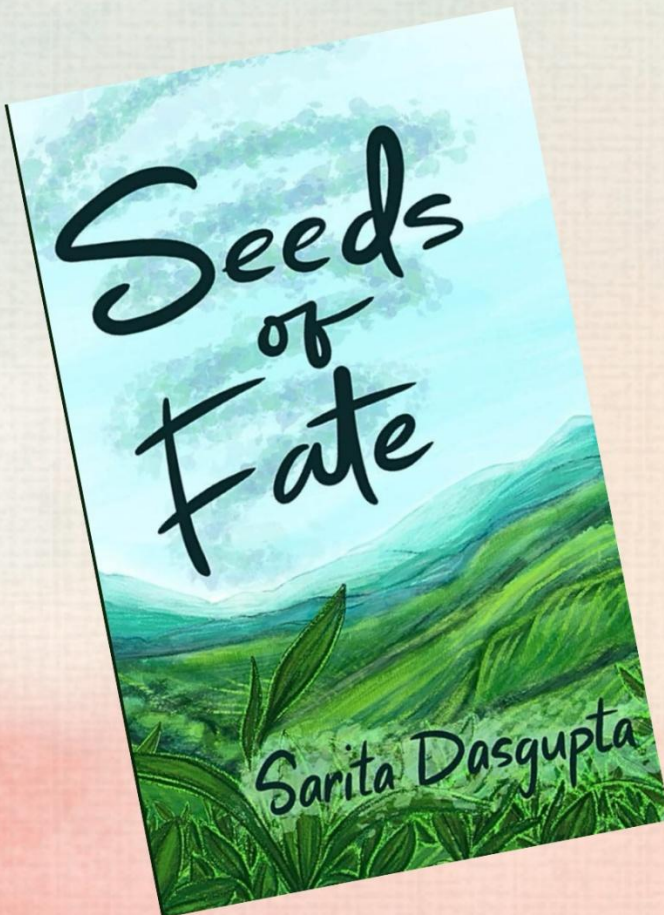


*Kittitas County Regional Library Board presents ...*

# ONE BOOK ONE COUNTY

*Sarita Dasgupta*

Author Talk and Book Signing



TUESDAY

APRIL 28, 2026

6:30PM

Hal Holmes Center  
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We hope to see  
you there!

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