

Bancroft Public Library
Board of Trustees – Minutes of the April 28, 2026 Special Meeting

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bancroft Public was held on Tuesday, April 28, 2026 in the Reading Room of Bancroft Library for the purpose of interviewing candidates for the vacant seat on the Board.

Present were Ed Donoghue, Alesa Wilson, and Rebecca Brown. Kim Erbe arrived during the interview of Steve Ladas. Also present throughout were Library Director Melissa Carll and Wendy Hunter for the Friends of Bancroft Library. The three candidates who attended were Cassandra Conety, Steven Ladas, and Barry Richman.

After opening the meeting, the candidates were asked to exit until called in for their interview: first Cassandra Conety, second Steve Ladas, and third Barry Richman. Following the interviews, Alesa Wilson made a motion, Kim Erbe seconded to go into executive session for discussion.

After returning from executive session, the candidates were called back in and informed, on motion by Rebecca Brown, second by Alesa Wilson, and all but one voting in favor, Kim Erbe abstaining, that Steve Ladas had been selected to fill the vacancy, pending appointment by the Town Council of the Town of Salem at their regular meeting on May 13, 2026.

Adjourned.