

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WINTHROP PUBLIC LIBRARY AND MUSEUM
MEETING MINUTES: JANUARY 8, 2026

In Attendance:

In Person

Trustees: Gillian Teixeira, Alyson Dewar, Gary Skomro, Annie Ferreira, Cynthia Hastings, Grace Kingsbery; Library Director - Greg McClay; Executive Assistant - Alana Locke

Absent:

None

Call to order:

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm

Elections:

Chairperson:

Trustee Skomro made a motion to elect a Chair. Trustee Ferreira seconded.

Trustee Skomro nominated Trustee Teixeira as Chair. Trustee Hastings seconded.

Discussion: Trustee Teixeira accepted the nomination.

Vote: All voted in favor. Trustee Teixeira will serve as Chairperson of the Trustees of the Winthrop Public Library and Museum for the next two years.

Vice Chair:

Trustee Teixeira made a motion to elect a Vice-Chairperson. Trustee Skomro seconded.

Trustee Teixeira nominated trustee Ferreira to serve as Vice-Chairperson. Trustee Dewar seconded.

Discussion: Trustee Ferreira accepted the nomination. Role of the Vice Chair is to lead the meetings in the absence of the Chair, as well as authorize expenditures outside of meetings if the Chair is unable to do so.

There was also a discussion of when meetings are - traditionally on Thursdays. They have been every day of the week except Mondays and Fridays. Trustees discuss upcoming meeting dates and times at the end of meetings where the next meeting has not already been scheduled or if the next meeting needs to be changed. Any Trustee can add items to the agenda for consideration/discussion at the meeting. Items cannot be discussed outside of meetings, by the entire Board, without violating open meeting laws.

Vote: All voted in favor. Annie Ferreira shall serve as the Vice-Chairperson of the Trustees of the Winthrop Public Library and Museum for the next two years.

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Secretary:

Trustee Teixeira made a motion to elect a Secretary. This job has actual work, thank you very much. Trustee Hastings seconded.

Trustee Teixeira nominated Trustee Dewar to serve as Secretary (because no one else wants to do it.) Trustee Hastings seconded.

Discussion: Trustee Dewar accepts the nomination. The secretary is responsible for the meeting minutes. They take notes in the meeting in whatever form they desire (type, recording, notes by hand) and then compile that, along with other relevant information, into a record of the meeting. Those notes are sent to the entire Board, the Executive Assistant, and Director for edits, comments, and changes. A final copy is then sent to those same people. Minutes are approved at the next meeting of the Board.

Vote: All in favor. Trustee Dewar will serve as Secretary of the Trustees of the Winthrop Public Library and Museum for the next two years.

Minutes:

Minutes from December submitted for approval

- Motion by Gary Skomro
- Seconded by Annie Ferreira
- No discussion
- Trustees Skomro, Teixeira, Ferreira, and Dewar voted in favor
- Trustees Kingsbery and Hastings abstained; they were not Trustees at the time of the previous meeting and cannot vote to accept the minutes
- Motion passed

Chair Report:

Welcome to all our new Trustees and welcome back to those returning.

This is Chairperson Teixeira's 12th year as a Trustee. She joined when her children were small. Due to open meeting laws, we are not allowed to have whole group discussions regarding the library outside of meetings. The Trustees take part in the hiring of Directors of the Library. This is Director McClay's fifth year. Chair Teixeira has participated in two Director searches.

The Trustees do not participate in the day-to-day running of the library, nor do they participate in the hiring of employees. The Library employees are union and the Director and the Town Manager oversee that portion of the library operations.

Trustee Kingsbery asked about job descriptions for employees. That is the purview of the Director. The Director explained that some of the job descriptions are in flux due to changing language necessary to attract applicants. Sometimes the union directs the wording and duties of the job descriptions, sometimes it does not.

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Trustee Kingsbery asked who is in charge of enforcing policy. That job ultimately falls to the Director.

The Director explained that the word "librarian" can be tricky. The Director is the only member of the staff with a degree in Library Science (at times other staff members have held that credential. For State certification, the Director needs to have an MLS - Master of Library Science degree. At one point, the Town appointed an Interim Director who did not possess that qualification and there were questions about whether the Library would be able to maintain State certification if that person remained in the role for an extended time.

The MLS is a degree. Members of Staff could pursue an MLS if they so desired. There is also a State-Librarian certification they could pursue. Neither is necessary to be employed at the library as a librarian.

Chairperson Teixeira continued with her remarks. The Board is mostly informal. If and when it is necessary Trustees may be asked to support the Library by attending Town Council meetings or advocating for the Library within the town in other ways.

The Trustees have no control over the general Library budget. That is proposed by the Director, approved (with or without modifications) by the Town Manager and then the budget, as a whole, is approved by the Town Council. The Trustees do administer, to a degree, supplemental funding. Those are endowments or funds gifted by individuals and the pool of money given to the Library by the State in the form of State Aid. State Aid is dependent upon the library meeting certain criteria set forth by the state (that the Director is a Certified Librarian, that a certain portion of the general budget set forth by the town is used for materials, that the amount of money budgeted for the library by the town is at least a certain percentage of the Town budget and that any decreases of the money budgeted to the Library are in line with decreases across departments - to receive State Aid the Town cannot disproportionately cut the Library funding in relation to cuts seen (or not) by the other departments in the town, that the budget increases by a certain percentage - 1.025 times the three year average - year over year.) As long as the Library meets those criteria (and others that may not be listed here), the Library retains its certification and receives its portion of the pool of State Library Aid.

Trustee Dewar mentioned that there is a Massachusetts Association of Library Trustees. It can be found online and contains a handbook and a mailing list.

The Chairperson is also a Scout Leader. The Library has been home to an Eagle Scout plaque. Why is unknown. Winthrop has two new Eagle Scouts this year, one of whom is female. The plaque has been given to Honan Signs to clean up, update (some known Eagle Scouts are missing), re-arrange, and add the new names. When that is complete, there will be a small ceremony to replace the plaque in the library. Past and present Eagle Scouts will be invited. The Chair hopes to have an update soon.

If you have a project or idea for the library, please bring it forth. Trustee Skomro joined with the intent of making the lower-level of the Children's Room accessible. We now have a ramp in the Children's Room.

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Everyone should take ethics training. The Director and Executive Assistant will work with the Town to make sure that happens.

Director's Report:

Pests and Trees:

Something, likely small and furry, continues to make holes in the roof. There was a fairly significant leak on the Monday of New Year's week. It stresses out the staff to worry about water in the building. The Building person suggested trimming the trees nearest the leak to make accessing the roof harder for the small, furry things.

The Director is working with the Buildings Supervisor and the Tree Warden on that. One of the trees is an oak and should be protected. There are also invasive Norway maples in the area. Those should be removed as they are invasive and currently banned in Massachusetts. They are also potentially providing access to the critters and affecting the health of the oak.

Two of the Trustees have had experiences with small, furry things in their roofs and suggested, in addition to the tree work, contacting a pest professional who may have better, more permanent, and alternative ideas for restricting access. Installing stainless steel mesh on the roof (critters will not or cannot chew through it) was suggested as a preventative measure.

The Director has asked for \$5,000.00 from State Aid to facilitate the tree work. Trustee Ferreira proposed another \$2,500 in State Aid be allocated to hiring a pest professional to take additional steps to block access to the building and the roof (if it can climb a tree, it can probably climb a building) and the roof and or potentially trap and remove anything that has taken up residence.

The problem is a recent one, within the last six months. The roof has been there for 4.5 years. This suggests a new method of access and or that new small, furry things have moved into the neighborhood recently.

Trustee Teixeira made a motion to allocate \$5,000 from State Aid to tree maintenance. Trustee Ferreira seconded.

Discussion:

Should the pest person be contacted first? The trees will need the work, regardless, and should be dealt with.

Can the Town be involved? Both the Tree Warden and the Buildings Supervisor are the Town. If the question is: should the Town pay for it, they should. They will not. It will be kicked down the budget road for years (see: roof prior to this and both accessibility ramps). It is a Town building but we pay for it.

Is this a significant amount of available funds in State Aid? No. We have approximately \$200,000.00 in State Aid. Once allocated it does not have to be

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spent within any time frame. Previous Directors saved most of it. It cannot be spent on food but is otherwise very liberal in what it can be spent on (unlike our other funds, which will be discussed more in depth in a future meeting).

Trustee Kingsbery asked how she can best understand the budget and funds? There is no one document. There is the Town budget plus State Aid, and various other funds. It will be added to the agenda for next month.

Vote: all voted in favor of allocating \$5,000 from State Aid for tree pruning and removal as necessary. All voted in favor, motion passed.

Trustee Teixeira made a motion to allocate \$2,000.00 in State Aid to hire and work with a pest control company to further exclude pests from the roof. Trustee Kingsbery seconded.

Discussion: the purpose is to evaluate the situation and get/implement recommendations for long-term rodent exclusion from the roof. A pest person should have expertise the Town personnel do not possess. If the town has a company they use, they will be consulted. Otherwise, the Trustees can likely give names themselves.

Vote: all voted in favor of allocating \$2,000.00 from State Aid to hire a pest professional to make the roof far less attractive to pests.

Friends of the Winthrop Public Library Report:

The Friends had their annual meeting in December. Their report is available on the Library website (a paper copy was at the meeting). They now have Venmo and Paypal accounts. The Director has asked them if he should put a link/button on the Library website for donations and whether or not the Friends want those accounts to be used for purchases in Bookends. He is waiting to hear back. He will also make sure the staff is comfortable with both Venmo and Paypal before any of that goes live.

Trustee Dewar clarified that these would be payment options in addition to cash? The Director said they will continue to accept cash at the Library. The Library has a wide array of patrons. Some are very low tech and some do not want to use technology for that purpose.

Study Rooms:

The workers have been prepping the rooms for painting all week. They still need some sanding, paint, and carpet. The director is hoping work will be finished in the next few weeks. To that end, he is meeting with a representative from our online booking software (Assabet) to implement online booking of the rooms by individuals when the time comes. Individuals will be allowed to book the rooms a few weeks in advance. The Hazlett and Bergman rooms are only available for same-day booking by individual patrons. This would be a change. The rooms will be available in up to four-hour blocks a month ahead of time.

Trustee Dewar asked that capacity limits be stated somewhere on the online booking.

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Initially the rooms will be furnished with a hodge-podge of furniture from around the library until the Director has a better idea of what configurations work best and what each room is being used for and can then make decisions about purchasing new furniture based on that information.

There will be a soft opening where all the quirks (capacity, furniture configurations, demand) will be assessed. Furniture will be purchased for the spaces. There will be a grand-opening or some sort of ceremony after the new furniture arrives.

Fiscal year 2027 Budget

The budget proposal for the Library was due last week. See attached. There are no significant changes barring funds for salary increases previously agreed upon. The total budget exceeds the State requirement for State Aid. That must come wholly from the Town and cannot be augmented by other funding sources. Our materials budget is below the requirement for State Aid. That difference can be made up from alternative funding sources and the Library should easily meet that requirement using our other funds.

Next year, three of the staff will be celebrating their five-year anniversary at the Library. The Library is currently fully staffed. We have no open positions.

Grant

The Library, along with CASA, have received a grant through the State Broadband office. The grant is for a number (unknown as of yet) of desktop computers and chromebooks for the Library. The computers will be placed in the Hazlett room and used for trainings and programming (1:1 training classes, group training, and if Children's wants to do something like their previous Minecraft program again, etc.)

A Trustee asked how the library computers are. The Director replied that the public computers have been updated. He is looking to add more but space is an issue. Staff computers were also recently updated.

Agenda Items:

July Meeting:

The Trustees do not meet in July or August. Should that change?

The Chair said it has been attempted in the past. Finding a quorum is hard. Overall, July is a tough month. The Director goes on vacation and people have things going on. The library is closed on Saturdays in the summer. Staff does not seem to take more vacation in the summer.

Moving the June meeting to later in the month and adding in an August meeting was discussed. The Trustees will revisit the idea later in the year.

Massachusetts 250

2026 is the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence and the beginning of the Revolutionary War.

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Is anything planned?

The library will have a display. Having a float in the Horribles Parade was discussed as were other ideas for programming/celebrating. Someone suggested seeing if the Historical Society is planning anything and potentially partnering with them or dovetailing with that.

Trustee Ferreira made a motion to appropriate up to \$2,500 from State Aid to facilitate programming for Massachusetts 250 and suggests a float in the July 4 Horribles Parade be one of the items. Trustee Skomro seconded.

Discussion: Trustee Ferreira's company is doing the advertisements for Massachusetts 250. There is a competition among Massachusetts, Virginia, and Pennsylvania for the 250th celebration. Massachusetts should win.

Trustee Teixeira said that we are being recognized by the Daughters of the American Revolution for a naval battle that was fought here. Trustee Skomro said there is a marker for something like that at Beacon Circle. Trustee Teixeira said she will forward the information to the Director. The library could also offer its space for others to hold events in relation to the 250th Anniversary.

Vote: All voted in favor of allocating up to \$2,500.00 in State aid to facilitate programming for Massachusetts 250.

Unattended Child Policy:

The Unattended Child Policy is up for discussion. The document was sent to Children's for their input. The Director supplied the Trustees with the original document and the document compiled by Children's. There was some discussion but time was getting late and it was decided the policy would be put on the February agenda.

Treasurer:

The Trustees have kept an occasional fund for any gifts/expenses. The treasurer would collect \$5/meeting from each member to be used in that capacity. It had fallen by the wayside in the past few years. Betty Peabody had been the Treasurer and left \$318 when she left the Board. There is no documentation requiring or pertaining to this practice. The money can be used for whatever the Trustees desire or spend it down and remove it. If the practice continues, it will require a Treasurer.

Some Trustees are against the practice. It places an unfair burden and assumption on elected officials whose role is not compensated and can put people in an uncomfortable position. It also puts the responsibility on someone to hold and track the money. No decision was made.

New Items:

Trustee Kingsbery wants better background knowledge about the workings of the Library. The Director stated that she can come to him with questions. Trustee Teixeira also said that she can likely fill in any blanks.

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Public Comment:

- No public comment

Future Meetings:

Thursday February 12, 2026 at 6pm

Thursday March 12, 2026 at 6pm

Thursday April 9, 2026 at 6pm

Adjournment:

- Motion to adjourn by Gillian Teixeira
- Seconded by Gary Skomro
- All voted in favor
- Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm

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Appendix:

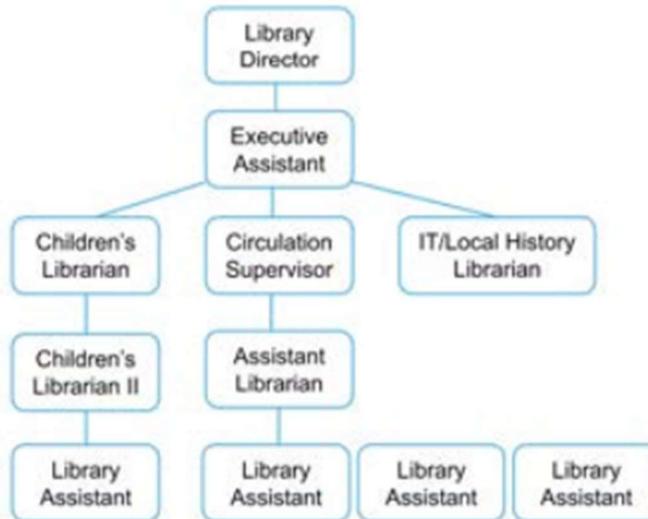
Director's Report to the Town

Winthrop Public Library & Museum
2 Metcalf Square Winthrop, MA 02152

Mission

The Mission of the Winthrop Public Library & Museum is to provide free public library service to all citizens of Winthrop. The Library will provide a wide range of print and non-print media for recreational and personal development. The Library will also preserve and provide access to a Museum collection covering both history and art in the community.

Organizational Chart



Goals and Objectives

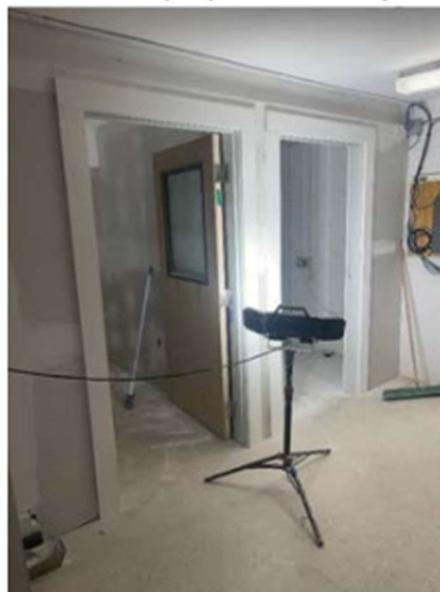
- Now that the study rooms are almost complete, the next step will be to clean up the remaining space and develop a work area for maker space projects and other programming.
- We are receiving a batch of Chromebooks and desktop computers from a grant through the State Broadband Office, under the umbrella of CASA. The Chromebooks will be made available for circulation and the desktops will be setup for training classes on using computers.

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- Continue to maintain an accessible collection, staying on top of purchasing and weeding.
- From the previous year, implement a Hot Titles to boost circulation numbers and better respond to patron needs. A “Hot Title” is normally a book or other material that only go out for a week and is not holdable or requestable, and will not travel to other libraries.

Accomplishments

- At the time of writing this there are three new study rooms being painted, carpeted, and just about ready for public use. Two rooms will seat 1-2 people comfortably and a third handicapped accessible room will seat six. Patrons will be able to book up to four hours at a time, up to a month in advance.
- We filled our new Administrative Assistant position, Alana Locke, as well as an open support position in Children's, Jamie Farrell. They have both worked very hard this past year and we are happy to have them on board.
- Through the hard work and generosity of others we've had some significant changes to the library. This includes the brand new handicapped walkway in the back of the library, thanks to the work of the Commission on Disabilities in getting the funding; and the beautiful new mural outside the Hazlett Room in honor of Donald Sullivan, funded by the late Paul Sullivan. We appreciate the community support the library has received over the years and will continue working to earn that support in coming years.

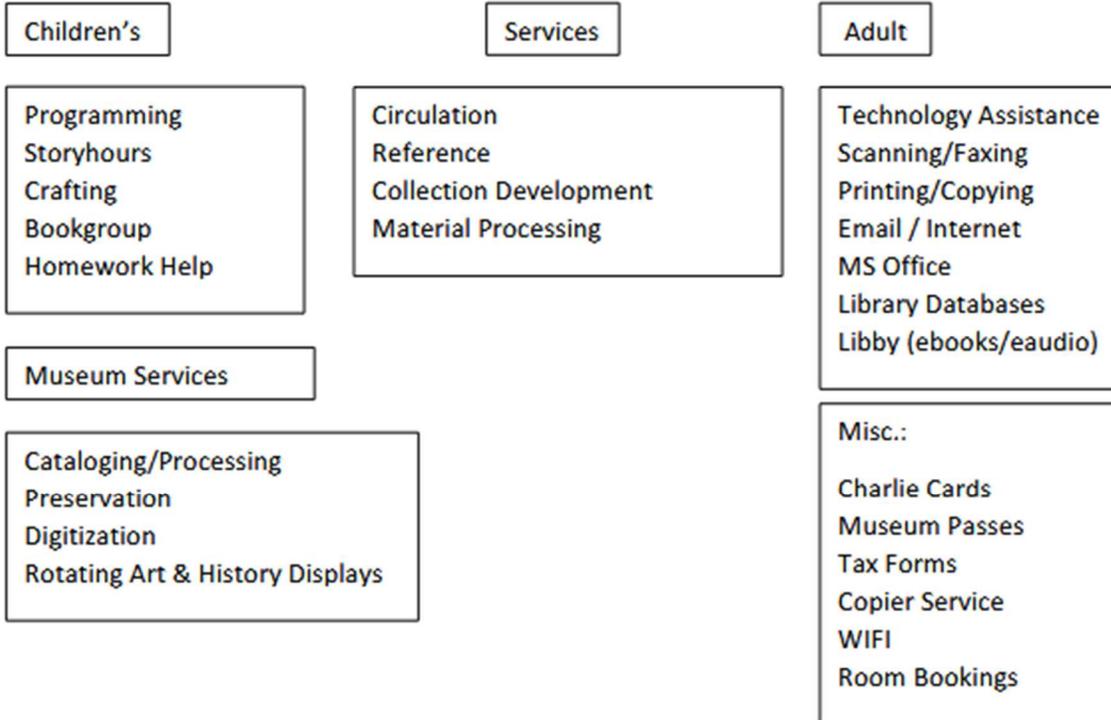


Significant Budget Changes or Initiatives

- The Library continues to split its budget between electronic and physical resources. We recently added a new music streaming service called Freegal. We continue working to promote these excellent resources for patrons to maximize their usage.

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Programs and Services



Performance Measures

Circulation Numbers

Format	Adult	YA	Child	Total
Audio	1,022	9	84	1,115
Books	21,710	3,286	39,841	64,837
Print Serials	235	0	0	245
Video	2,862	16	336	3,214
TOTAL	25,829	3,311	40,261	69,401

Overdrive Circulation (Libby)

Format	Adult	YA	Child	Total
eBook	5,706	866	1627	8,199
Audiobook	4,819	322	716	5,857
Total	10,525	1,188	2,343	14,056

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InterLibrary Loans

ILLs (includes Network Transfers, Commonwealth Catalog, and ILLs.)

Received 10,046
 Provided 22,361

Programming Numbers

Total *number* of LIVE programs: **37**
 Total *attendance* at LIVE Adult programs: **355**

Total *number* of LIVE programs for YA: **28**
 Total *attendance* at LIVE YA programs: **201**

Total *number* of LIVE programs for School Children Aged 6-11 held: **157**
 Total *attendance* at LIVE School Children's Aged 6-11 programs: **3,186**

Total *number* of LIVE programs for Young Children Aged Birth – 5: **195**
 Total *attendance* at LIVE Young Children Aged Birth – 5 programs: **2,699**

Personnel Summary

		FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	CHANGE
610	Library Director	1	1	1	0
	Assistant Director	.7	0	0	0
	Executive Assistant	0	.85	.85	0
	Children’s Librarian	.95	.85	.85	0
	Young Adult Librarian	.7	0	0	0
	Children’s Librarian II	0	1	1	0
	IT/Local History Librarian	1	1	1	0
	Circulation Supervisor	1	1	1	0
	Circulation Assistant	1	1	1	0
	Library Assistants	2.63	2.1	2.1	0
610	Total Full Time Equivalent	8.98	8.8	8.8	0

Personnel Notes

No changes this year. All positions are filled.

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Account Number	Account Description	FY2020 Actual	FY2021 Actual	FY2022 Actual	FY2023 Actual	FY2024 Actual	FY2025 Budget	FY2025 Actual	FY2026 Dept Request
0161051-514600	PERSONNEL	369,259.66	220,159.27	367,772.54	399,765.24	409,965.13	431,375.00	419,071.14	440,998.33
	PERSONNEL SUB-TOTAL:	372,148.23	229,060.55	369,547.54	401,740.24	412,046.13	432,762.55	420,204.99	441,525.47
0161052-521100	Electricity	5,331.36	5,186.01	5,576.67	5,444.46	4,868.74	7,000.00	5,890.70	7,000.00
0161052-521200	Heat	7,265.90	7,269.77	8,438.01	10,096.28	10,368.73	12,000.00	13,050.06	12,000.00
0161052-523200	Alarm	519.33	420.00	420.00	1,222.04	420.00	600.00	375.00	600.00
0161052-524100	Building Maintenance	12,021.77	4,543.04	1,549.36	833.40	1,150.75	1,000.00	4,294.58	1,000.00
0161053-530701	Conference Fees								
0161053-534400	Postage	550.00		48.20					
0161053-534100	Telecommunications		475.25	2,213.57	2,282.12	2,399.52	2,350.00	2,823.54	2,350.00
0161054-543200	General Office Supplies	13,068.88	5,627.90	17,466.03	16,506.18	14,798.38	16,650.00	15,400.53	16,650.00
0161054-545100	Cleaning Supplies	1,789.41							
0161055-558301	Library Materials	73,695.61	69,163.59	91,472.41	89,893.56	87,391.42	90,400.00	89,874.17	90,000.00
0161057-571001	In-State Airfare	603.63	68.91	395.00			200.00	275.00	500.00
0161057-573100	Professional Associations	54,169.37	200.00	55,030.67	55,736.51	59,632.00	62,329.43	62,313.55	63,544.00
0161057-579100	Software - Noble	169,015.26	147,995.14	182,895.76	183,837.95	181,102.54	193,079.43	194,297.93	193,644.00
	EXPENSES SUB-TOTAL:	541,163.49	377,045.69	552,443.30	585,578.19	593,148.67	625,792.28	614,502.92	635,169.47
610 - LIBRARY TOTAL									

FY2026 Budget	FY2026 Actual 11/30/2025	FY2027 Dept Request	FY2027 Town Mgr.	\$ Change	% Change	Comments
443,998.33	165,719.79	465,203.00		21,204.67	4.78%	Amount includes Step Increases and \$15,303 towards Custodial
527.14	1,277.14	2,028.00		1,500.86	284.72%	
444,525.47	166,996.93	467,231.00	-	22,705.53	5.11%	
7,000.00	3,238.59	7,000.00		-	0.00%	#DIV/0!
12,000.00	516.66	12,000.00		-	0.00%	
600.00	-	600.00		-	0.00%	
1,000.00	-	1,000.00		-	0.00%	
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2,350.00	844.42	2,350.00		-	0.00%	
16,650.00	11,680.14	16,650.00		-	0.00%	
				-	#DIV/0!	
90,000.00	34,336.88	90,000.00		-	0.00%	\$86,588 magic number for state certification. Other resources can and will be used to cover the difference.
				-	#DIV/0!	
500.00	-	500.00		-	0.00%	
63,544.00	63,055.31	65,824.00		2,280.00	3.59%	
193,644.00	113,672.00	195,924.00	-	2,280.00	1.18%	
638,169.47	280,668.93	663,155.00	-	24,985.53	3.92%	The magic number for state certification is \$643,905. Cannot be supplemented from other sources.

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Circulation Numbers:

Total Circulation refers to items circulated in the past month, either physical or online and renewals of same

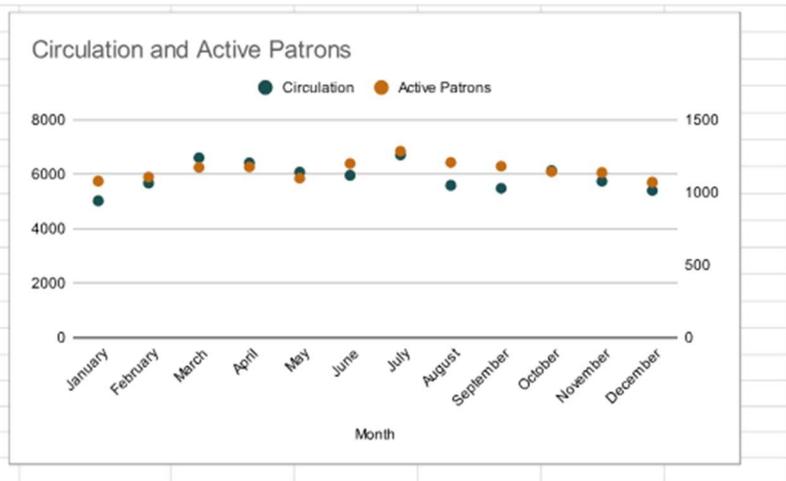
Total Checkouts refers to new items lent to borrows that are not renewals

Total Patrons is the number of active Winthrop Public Library and Museum cards

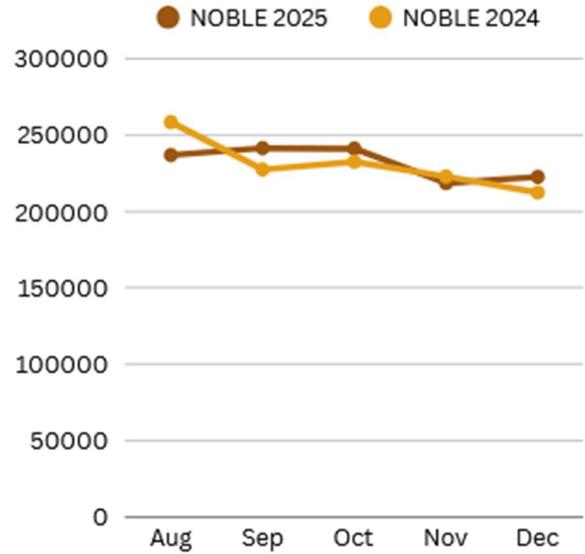
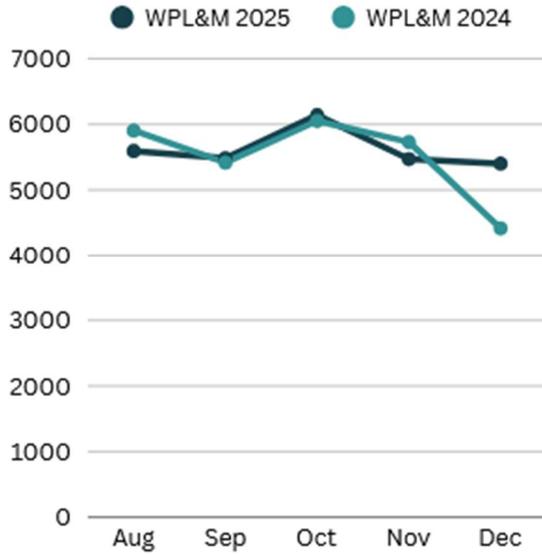
Added Patrons are new cards issued (that were not done so because they had been lost).

Active Patrons used library resources in the past month, in a way that was recorded. It would not count someone who browsed the cookbooks, in person, and left without borrowing any.

Month	Circulation	Active Patrons
January	5027	1078
February	5676	1106
March	6609	1173
April	6425	1175
May	6083	1098
June	5960	1198
July	6704	1284
August	5594	1206
September	5484	1181
October	6140	1143
November	5740	1136
December	5401	1070



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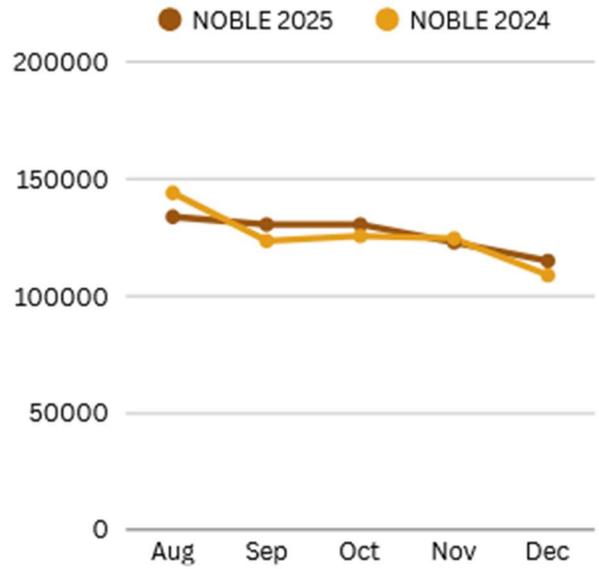
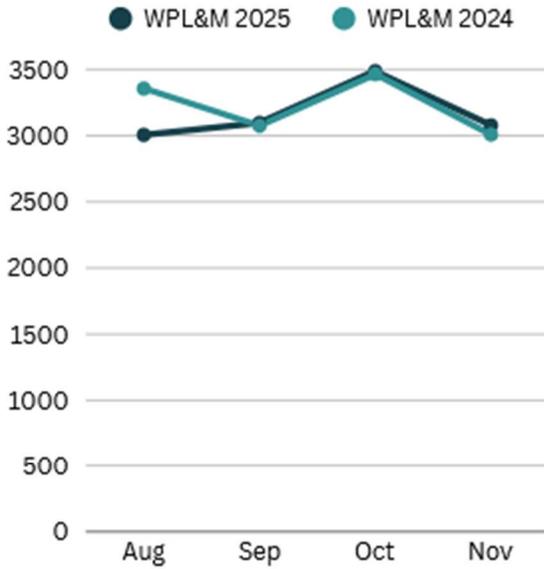


Month	2025	2024
Aug	5594	5904
Sep	5484	5416
Oct	6140	6051
Nov	5470	5730
Dec	5401	4415

Month	2025	2024
Aug	237040	258580
Sep	241593	227657
Oct	241263	232666
Nov	218722	223062
Dec	222795	212613

Total Circulation

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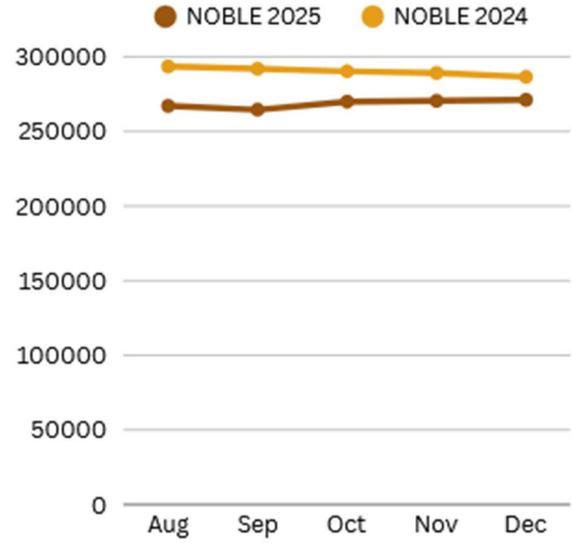


Month	2025	2024
Aug	3007	3357
Sep	3098	3075
Oct	3488	3465
Nov	3079	3008
Dec	2686	2034

Month	2025	2024
Aug	133864	144051
Sep	130532	123589
Oct	130539	125726
Nov	122950	124541
Dec	115008	108941

Checkouts

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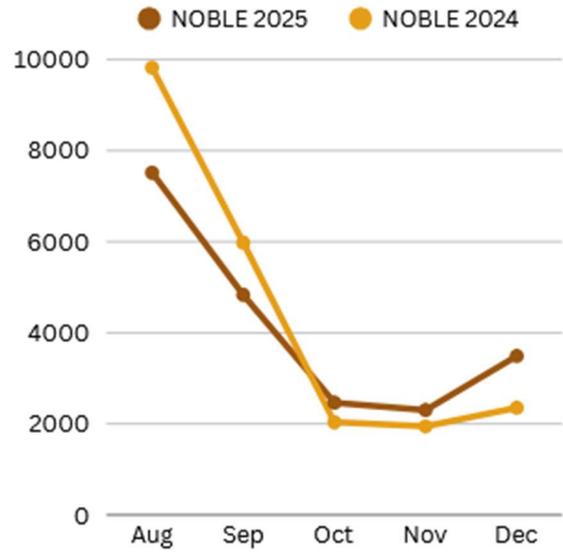


Month	2025	2024
Aug	5291	6315
Sep	5277	6301
Oct	5351	6282
Nov	5355	6235
Dec	5349	6083

Month	2025	2024
Aug	267157	293528
Sep	264569	292029
Oct	270032	290299
Nov	270498	289215
Dec	271221	286580

Total Patrons

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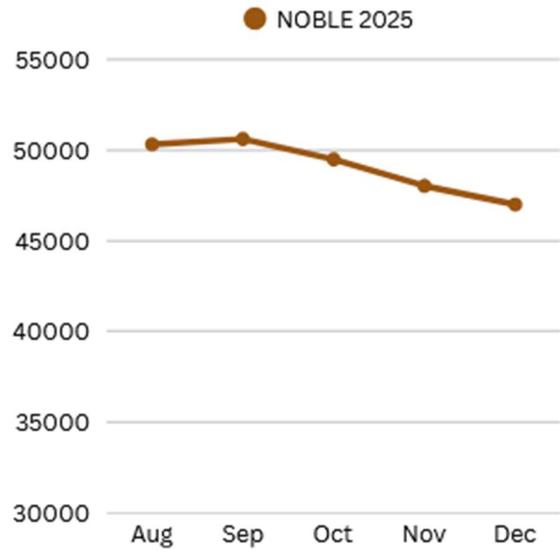


Month	2025	2024
Aug	55	46
Sep	55	39
Oct	61	53
Nov	49	31
Dec	34	34

Month	2025	2024
Aug	7515	9820
Sep	4833	5979
Oct	2465	2034
Nov	2303	1943
Dec	3490	2353

Added Patrons

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Month	2025
Aug	1206
Sep	1181
Oct	1143
Nov	1136
Dec	1070

Month	2025
Aug	50320
Sep	50615
Oct	49492
Nov	48034
Dec	47003

Active Patrons

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	December 2025	Last 12 Months
Visits	476	8667
Pages	610	10407
Plays	123	1479
New User Accounts	5	76

Number of Tickets	Number of Plays
1	4
2	41
3	n/a
4	8
5	2

Number Of Kids Play Credits Incurred In November 1

Top 5 Popular Films:

1. Supertato
2. White Scripts And Black Supermen - Black Masculinities in Comic Books
3. Sunshine and Shadow - 1865-1898
4. Mindscape
5. Omniscient Reader: The Prophecy

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