

WYLD Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Date: January 8, 2026 **Time:** 11:00 a.m. **Location:** Zoom

Call to Order

President Kip Roberson called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Present:

Kip Roberson, President

Michelle Humber, Vice-President

Katrina Brown, Academic Library Representative

Nathan Bender, K-12 / Special Library Representative

Lorene Heinzen, Large Public Library Representative

Cristine Braddy, Small Public Library Representative

Abby Beaver, State Librarian

Desiree Saunders, WYLD Program Manager (ex-officio)

Kate Mutch, Recorder

Absent:

Anita Marple, Member-at-Large

Karen Horner, Member-at-Large

Approval of Agenda

Michelle Humber moved to approve the agenda. Lorene Heinzen seconded. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes

Lorene Heinzen moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Michelle Humber seconded. Motion passed.

State Librarian Report

State Librarian Abby Beaver reported that she had been called before the Joint Appropriations Committee to provide information regarding OverDrive. Committee members had questions about the State Library's role in the process, how much funding the Wyoming State Library spends, and parental control features within the Libby app. Abby will follow up with responses to their questions.

WYLD Program Manager Report

WYLD Program Manager Desiree Saunders reported that activity has slowed following the recent ILL transition, though training continues to be provided as needed. Statistics used to calculate annual WYLD member fees have been generated.

Circulation of physical materials continues to trend downward while demand for e-content increases.

Desiree shared information about the COSUGI 2026 Conference, which will be held virtually over three days, with an estimated registration cost of approximately \$150 per person.

Desiree and KJ Hillgren met with Cayla Broseus regarding her role as facilitator of the new Aspen Working Group, with an initial meeting anticipated in February.

The Aspen content stream has transitioned to Loral (from Grove for Libraries). The group will allow several months to evaluate whether it meets expectations.

The Symphony WorkFlows 4.2 upgrade is scheduled for the test server. Testing will determine whether the system upgrade occurs before or after the WYLD Annual Meeting. Sirsi continues shifting focus to BlueCloud, and concerns remain that it is not yet ready for consortia use.

New Business

WYLD Annual – Ad Hoc Planning Committee:

Michelle Humber, Kip Roberson, and Katrina Brown volunteered to serve on the committee.

Volunteers and WYLD Access – Board Resolution:

The Board discussed a resolution affirming that volunteers should not be granted access to the ILS database. The Attorney General’s Office reviewed the resolution and identified no issues.

Katrina Brown moved to adopt the resolution as presented. Nathan Bender seconded. Motion passed. The resolution will be distributed to the directors’ list and posted on the WYLD website at <https://library.wyo.gov/services/wyld-network/governing-board/>

Adjournment

Katrina Brown moved to adjourn the meeting. Nathan Bender seconded. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

Next Meeting

February 12, 2026

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate Mutch, recorder