

North Dakota Library Coordinating Council (NDLCC) Minutes
June 19, 2026
via Teams

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Chair Traci Lund at 11:00 AM Central Time. All members are present. Soucie introduced NDSL Grants and Data Coordinator Bethany Rants. Rants will attend NDLCC meetings that include grant reviews.

Council Members Present:

Chair Traci Lund, Vice Chair Andrea Placher, President Jason Bedsaul, Jessica Smette, Samantha Pechtl, Kelly Kornkven, Michele Seil, Tim Dirks, Austin Lafferty, State Librarian Mary Soucie, and Recorder Joanie Sanda

Guest:

Bethany Rants, Grants and Data Coordinator

Old and New Business:

Library Vision Grants

- There was a discussion about what applicants and reviewers will be able to see in WebGrants. NDSL will explore with DPI what information, including individual reviewer's comments, will be available in WebGrants.
- The guidelines need to indicate that grantees should choose only one Library Vision goal that applies to their whole project.
- NDSL staff has created a Library Vision Application FAQ that will be submitted to the NDLCC for review at the next meeting.
- The Council suggested updating the rubric to indicate only one Library Vision goal was selected.

Tribal Library Grants

- Tim Dirks moved, second by Andrea Placher to approve the Turtle Mountain Community College grant. Ayes: Tim Dirks, Michele Seil, Tressa Graves, Kelly Kornkven, Jason Bedsaul, Traci Lund. Nays: Samantha Pechtl. Motion carries.

Exemplary Grants

- NDSL will create an online repository of exemplary grant applications to assist grant applicants. Soucie asked the Council to identify any grants that are exemplary as they are reviewing the next round.

Announcements:

The next NDLCC quarterly meeting will be held in person in Williston at 1PM on July 16. Council members will visit Tioga and Stanley libraries on June 17. There will be an online option for members who cannot attend the meeting in person.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 11:55 A.M. Central Time.