

Edgebrook Community Association

Board of Directors Meeting

Minutes

Date: January 12, 2026

Edgebrook Public Library

Meeting called to order at 6:31 pm

Minutes approved for December 2025

In Attendance

Mary Biesty, Michelle Brugioni, Jenny Herren Gatesman, Dan Hamilton, Kathy Kaminski, Lorrie Kennedy, Jan Kupiec, Ellie Lange, Andi Macino, Kirstin Mansfield, Julie Marske, Jeff Manuel, Mike Marren, Caryn Meyers, Tom Misiewicz, Bev Padratzik, Jeff Singer, Nancy Williams, and Jerome Witte

Officer's Reports

President Jenny thanked everyone for an awesome year and is looking forward to a great 2026.

Vice President Nancy informed the board that the holiday lights will remain up until the weather cooperates. She reminded board members to pay their 2026 dues and turn in their conflict of interest form.

Treasurer Jeff Singer reviewed the payments to the various board members and reviewed the 2025 end of the year budget. Although there are funds remaining in several budget lines, the money will be spent in 2026. These include the bench painting and marketing funds that Jean and Matt will be spending to improve membership numbers. He also pointed out that there was an outstanding snow plow bill from 2025. Although our reserve is very healthy, Mary pointed out that a snowy winter and bad weather on the Fourth of July could deplete a large part of the reserves.

Secretary Mary thanked Tom M for hosting the Holiday party. She also handed out the 2026 BOD contact list.

Committee Reports

Membership. Nancy handed out the 2026 membership flyer that will be mailed to current members in the next few weeks. There will be a membership meeting next month to solicit ideas to increase membership numbers that have been declining since COVID. Jan brought up the idea of a membership appreciation event.

Community Development Tony reached out to Nugent's office about the rumored Dunkin' Donuts for the old Associated Bank location on Central and Devon. Nugent's office responded that there has been no official communication about this project. Some board members expressed concern about the traffic/noise if this proposal moves forward.

Programs Jan will move forward with scheduling a meeting about preschools for Edgebrook residents. The meeting should be offered live on YouTube.

Website Due to ongoing problems with our hosting site, Caryn and Andi are working on migrating to another hosting site. According to Andi, this new site will allow board members to input information from their assigned committee on a timely basis.

Newsletter. Dan will be sending out the next newsletter in early February. The newsletter will include a question relating to Valentine's Day, and pose the question, "What do I love about Edgebrook?". Responses can be sent to talk2eca@gmail.com. Select responses can be posted on our social media.

Beautification. June 13th is the scheduled garden walk and will feature Old Edgebrook Gardens.

Special Events. Possible theme for our July 4th Parade and Picnic is related to the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence

Police and Fire. Mary attended the recent ZOOM CAPS meeting and urged the police department to communicate more safety ideas on vehicle thefts to the neighborhood. Most crimes in Edgebrook relate to theft from vehicles or catalytic converter thefts.

Schools Kirstin is reaching out to schools to distribute the \$250 budgeted donations from the ECA.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 11th at 6:30 pm at the library.

Dates for Board of Directors Meetings

2026

All meetings are on Monday at 6:30 pm at the Edgebrook Library

February 11 (Wednesday)
March 9
April 13
May 11
June 8

September 14
October 12
November 9
December 14

Special Events

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 4 (Saturday before Easter)

4th of July Parade and Picnic Saturday, July 4th

Witches Ride Saturday, October 24th

Halloween Spookiest House judging TBD

Holiday Tree Lighting TBD

Garden Walk Date Saturday, June 13th

Triangle Clean Up

Citywide Clean and Green Date TBD

General Meetings

November TBD

Meet and Mingle

Two dates TBD