

Lawton Philharmonic Society
Regular Board Meeting
Lawton Country Club
January 15, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President David Jackson.
October minutes were approved as presented.

Jo Ann Knecht presented the financial report: Total revenue received was \$10,775.98 with Total expenses of \$8,891.88 with a Net Income of \$2,054.91.

In Jon Kalbfleisch's letter to the board, he updated us on all his musical activities currently. He also presented us with his proposed next year's season.

Patty Neuwith's report was presented. The concert, "December Delights", netted us with \$5022.90. The Christmas letter appeal written by David Jackson netted us \$2150.00. Link-Up is in full swing with Charlotte Oates working with Jon on the program. The concert will be on Thursday, Feb 5, with two student performances at 11 am and 12:30 pm. Approximately 1100 students will attend each concert!

Next year's season was presented. Ronda Norrell moved and Tanya Case seconded the 2026-2027 program. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

^Grant-Writing – Ronda Norrell reported she is proceeding with grants.

^Marketing – Posters for the Link-up concert were sent to schools.

^Nominating – Doris Lambert presented two people for membership – Carrie Pae and Dianne Denham. Both were approved. Welcome, ladies!

^Fundraising – As written above, Patty Neuwith announced the funding we received.

^Personnel – Tanya Case reported it was time to renegotiate Jon's contract which ends June 30, 2026. Tanya also will be working on renewing the union contract after the February concert.

^Arts for All – Jo Ann Knecht reported there is a lot of work going on at the Carnegie Library and the AFA office should open again soon. She reported there are 3 major AFA activities scheduled for this year: Feb 13-Kick-Off luncheon at the Hilton; May 8,9,10 the AFA Festival; AFA Gala on Friday, November 6.

Doris Lambert gave a review of the chorus work for the concert.

David Jackson reminded us of our next scheduled meeting is a different date than usual. Because Jon will be here, our next board meeting is February 5 at noon at the Country Club. David also reminded us to sign-up for the Link-Up concert and the program stuffing on concert day at 2 pm, Feb 7. Our next concert is Saturday, Feb 7, at 7:30.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Linda Chapman, Recording Secretary

Members Present: Pam Briscolara, Doug Brown, Tanya Case, Linda Chapman, Tim Diley, Janice Fritsch, David Jackson, Jo Ann Knecht, Doris Lambert, Ronda Norrell, Cindy O'Conner, Sally Simpson. Kathy Hickman and Carol Gardner by phone.

Executive Director – Patty Neuwirth

Guests – Carrie Pae and Diane Denham

Members Absent: Melissa Beck, Blake Dutcher, Jim Lambert.