

Genealogy Society Told To Leave

(KAIR)--After 25 years, the Genealogy Society of Atchison County has been told to leave the Atchison Library.

“We’re trying to provide a service, right now it just totally blindsided everybody,” said Myrna McConaughy with the Genealogy Society.

But Atchison Library Director Jacque Slingsby explains it’s apart of the effort to unify all library services.

“It comes down to reviewing policy and making sure we’re in line with accreditation standards and best library practices,” Slingsby said. “We realized we are offering a different degree of access to the genealogy group than any other group.”

Slingsby explained other groups have asked to store their materials as the genealogy society does and she’s had to say no.

According to the contract between the two, the library must provide 30 days notice—which they did in a formal letter and meeting Jan. 30.

However, Slingsby said they do not have to be out by the 30 day deadline.

From here, McConaughy says they have to explore different options for locations to provide their services.

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