

Fayette County Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting – July 8, 2025 Minutes

The Fayette County Public Library Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room with Colin Judd, Vice President of the Board, presiding. Others present were Board members Judith Echano Medina, Justin Pflug, Jennifer Cooley, and Vane Lashua. Also present were Betsy Slavens, Director; Melissa Scott, Assistant Director; and Christy Collier, Administrative Assistant. Absent from the meeting were Kim Giesting and Lynette Eklund.

1. Public Participation: None.
2. Motion by Jennifer, seconded by Judith, to approve the June 10, 2025, executive board minutes. Unanimously approved.
3. Motion by Judith, seconded by Vane, to approve the June 10, 2025, board minutes. Unanimously approved.
4. Written Director's report was included in the Board packet.
 - a. Indiana directors attended a zoom meeting. Approximately 15 librarians at the state library have been let go due to budget.
 - b. Two staff members have resigned for a teaching position and student teaching.
5. Assistant Director's report was included in the Board packet.
 - a. Community Youth Day is on July 11, 2025, at the Miller Building and board members are invited to attend.
6. Outreach
 - a. No additions.
7. Financial Report was included in the Board packet.
 - a. Two CD's will mature on July 17, 2025.
 - b. Budget workshop is scheduled for July 24, 2025.
8. Motion by Judith, seconded by Vane, to accept the Director's report, Assistant Director's report, Outreach report, Financial report, and pay the bills. Unanimously approved.
9. Committee Reports:
 - a. Staff: No meeting.
 - b. Building and Grounds: No meeting.
 - c. Policy: No meeting.
 - d. Long Range Planning: No meeting.
 - e. Scholarship: No meeting.
10. Old Business:
 - a. Parking lot blacktopping/stripping delay
 - i. The blacktopping/stripping has been delayed until fall.
11. New Business:
 - a. Sidewalks – north side of the building
 - i. The north side sidewalk needs to be replaced. We have received one quote for all the sidewalks that need to be replaced around the building. We will seek a quote for the north side only.
 - b. Lease at Everton Fire Department for the Bookmobile
 - i. Motion by Jennifer, seconded by Judith, to approve the lease at Everton Fire for the Bookmobile. Unanimously approved.
 - c. Board Officer Nominations

Approved 8/12/25

- i. Slate of Officers:
 - 1. Kim Giesting, President
 - 2. Colin Judd, Vice President
 - 3. Vane Lashua, Secretary
 - 4. Jennifer Cooley, Treasurer
- ii. Motion by Judith, seconded by Jennifer, to approve the slate and install officers to the board. Unanimously approved.
- d. Commitment to Join Consortium for Internet Access
 - i. Read by Jennifer Cooley
 - ii. Motion by Colin, seconded by Judith, to approve *Commitment to Join Consortium for Internet Access*. Unanimously approved.
- e. 2026 Budget
 - i. Betsy distributed the 2026 Preliminary Budget. The budget follows the 4% increase as set by the state. The library will continue to receive Internet reimburse for the 2025/2026 year, but 2026/2027 is in question.

Motion by Jennifer, seconded by Judith, to adjourn at 5:27 pm. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Scott