

MINUTES OF THE DAVIESS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONTHLY MEETING

April 13, 2022

Members Present: Michelle Drake  
Rodney Ellis  
Susan Gesser (virtual)  
Harry Pedigo (virtual)

Members Absent: Beena Vora

Others Present: Erin Waller, Director  
Debbie Young, Business Manager  
Nathan Havenner, Reporter – Messenger Inquirer  
Richard Tutt, American Engineers, Inc. (virtual)

The meeting was called to order by President Michelle Drake at 5:06 p.m.

Michelle Drake called for Old Business – Parking Lot Expansion Project. Erin Waller reported there had been no bids received for the Parking Lot Expansion Project. Richard Tutt noted that there had been interest from contractors and some plans were sent out, and he was disappointed that there were no bids submitted. He felt the project was conventional with nothing unusual. Mr. Tutt said he would like to make some phone calls to the contractors who had expressed interest to find out any issues and why they did not submit a bid. After gathering that information, he would plan to rebid the project. The Board members indicated they would still like to see both the base work along with the alternate work in the bid package. Mr. Tutt said he would keep Ms. Waller updated on the project and he left the virtual meeting.

Michelle Drake called for the approval of the minutes of the March meeting. After review and hearing no comments or corrections, Susan Gesser made a motion to approve the March minutes as presented. Harry Pedigo seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Rodney Ellis presented the Treasurer's Report. He went over the March 2022 financial report including the receipts and expenditures for the month. Hearing no comments or corrections, Harry Pedigo made a motion to approve the financial report and expenditures as presented. Susan Gesser seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Waller presented the Director's Report and discussed the following:

- Ms. Waller updated the Board on House Bill 167 bill that was proposed that could affect the Library. House Bill 167 passed in the Senate and the House but was then vetoed by the

Governor. It goes back for another vote and the veto could be overridden, which is expected. This would change how Board Members were appointed as the County Judge Executive would appoint the Board Members along with a few other changes including capital projects over \$1,000,000 would have to be approved by Fiscal Court. Ms. Waller will keep everyone updated about the bill.

- Ms. Waller reminded the Board that until the end of the year, the Board would nominate Board Members. In September, Been Vora's seat would be available as she has served two terms and also Rodney Ellis's first term would end but he could serve another term. Ms. Waller asked the Board to be thinking of some good candidates for the Board.
- Ms. Waller noted that the building is being pressure washed for the first time since it was built.

There was no New Business.

There was no Public Comment.

Having no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:29 p.m. The next meeting of the Daviess County Public Library Board of Trustees will be on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. in the Third Floor Board Room.

