

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

June 15, 2022

Members Present: Michelle Drake  
Rodney Ellis  
Harry Pedigo

Members Absent: Susan Gesser  
Beena Vora

Others Present: Erin Waller, Director  
Debbie Young, Business Manager  
Nathan Havenner, Reporter – Messenger Inquirer  
Charlie Castlen, Fiscal Court Liaison

The meeting was called to order by President Michelle Drake at 5:02 p.m.

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

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

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

- Summer Reading started on June 1 and is in full swing. The Library had a Kick Off Event that went very well. The programs are being well attended.
- The Library had an electrical issue on Friday, June 10 which resulted in the Library being unable to open. We had electricians in the Library who were able to figure out the issue and got the problem repaired.
- The Library is hosting the Moneta Sleet, Jr. painting this month, which was painted by K. O. Lewis. The painting will be in the foyer from June 1 – June 30 along with two books featuring photography from the Owensboro native. The permanent home for the painting will be the Neblett Center.
- Ms. Waller will be attending the ALA Conference in Washington, DC later this month.

Michelle Drake called for Old Business – Parking Lot Expansion Project. Erin Waller reported that the contract had been signed with O’Bryan Contracting for the Parking Lot Expansion Project. Ms. Waller, Charles Shoemaker (Library Facilities Supervisor) and Richard Tutt met with Sean O’Bryan about the Parking Lot Project. The schedule is pending but the first work will be demo on the empty lot, followed by the widening of the Ford Avenue entrance. The drainage work on the empty lot will be started when the water retention tank is received, followed by paving and striping.

Michelle Drake called for New Business – Board Member Nominations – Expiring Terms. Erin Waller reported the Beena Vora’s second term is expiring in September so there would need to be two nominations for her seat since she cannot serve more than two terms. Rodney Ellis’s first term is expiring in September. Mr. Ellis would like to serve another term so there would need to be one additional nomination for his seat. The Board was asked to have some names of people who would be interested in serving on the Board at the July meeting so a decision could be made on who to nominate.

There was no Public Comment.

Having no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m. The next meeting of the Daviess County Public Library Board of Trustees will be on Wednesday, July 20, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. in the Third Floor Board Room.

*Michelle Drake*