

MINUTES OF THE DAVIESS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONTHLY MEETING
September 16, 2026

Members present: Kevin Dorth, President
Rodney Ellis, Treasurer
Kathi Mattas, Secretary
Al Mattingly
Tim Kline

Others present: Erin Waller, Director
Ryan Henry, Collection Development Manager
Comm'r Janie Marksberry, Fiscal Court Liaison

At 5:00 pm, President Kevin Dorth called the meeting to order in the second floor meeting room of the Daviess County Public Library.

President Dorth called for approval of the July minutes. Al Mattingly motioned to approve, Tim Kline seconded, and the motion carried.

Rodney Ellis presented the Treasurer's Report with the Financial Report and Approval of Expenditures, noting that the next to last payment for the remodel work would soon be made. With no further discussion or questions, Kathi Mattas motioned to approve, Mr. Kline seconded, and the motion carried.

The Director's Report was given by Erin Waller, including:

1. There are still some odds and ends of the remodel project being finished – upon completion, final payment will be made.
2. A recent \$20,000 anonymous donation to the library will be added to the \$10,000 grant from the Public Life Foundation, and these funds will be used to purchase additional furnishings, tables, and chairs for the newly remodeled spaces.
3. The annual Voices of Elmwood, which the library aids in the historical research and character development, will begin tomorrow.
4. There are 32 vendors lined up for the library's Craft Fair to be held September 26 in the outdoor Listening Garden.
5. Participation in the library's regular Homeschool Adventures programming is averaging over 100 attendees per session.
6. Ryan Henry gave the audit progress update: A total of 749 titles have been reviewed since January 2026, including new books as well as 263 titles from the Rated Books list. Since January, a total of 263 books have been moved, including both new books and Rated Books titles. Specifically, of the 263 Rated Books titles that have been reviewed, 166 have been retained in their original collections, while 68 were relocated from YA to Adult, another 3 were relocated from Juvenile to YA, and 26 titles were weeded due to low usage.
7. Ryan Henry noted that the RFR process is due to resume October 15 at the end of the pause period

previously determined by the Board. He stated that there is one title ready for the appeal process, while other titles on the RFR paused list were moved through the audit process. As the RFR process resumes, the library will also resume updating the website list of challenged books.

After brief discussion between staff and board members, it was determined that there will be a pause on re-examining the RFR process, as discussed at the August board meeting, while the audit is completed and the RFR process resumes in order to consider how well it proceeds under the new policy.

Old Business – Board Member Nominations

Mr. Tim Kline opened discussion with a motion to nominate applicant Paula Roberts to the DCPL Board, in consideration of her experience, qualifications, and his conversation with her on the phone. Rodney Ellis made a motion to nominate Al Mattingly to continue in his seat as a board member. There was brief discussion regarding Robert's Rules of Order as pertains to a second motion put forth immediately after a first motion, prior to any seconding or discussion of the first motion. The point was made that Tim Kline had previously communicated his intention to nominate Paula Roberts separately to Kevin Dorth, Kathi Mattas, and Al Mattingly. Mr. Dorth stated that there was a motion to nominate applicant Paula Roberts, which was seconded by Kathi Mattas, and put forth for a vote by President Kevin Dorth. The result was three "ayes" by Tim Kline, Kevin Dorth, and Kathi Mattas. Al Mattingly abstained, and Rodney Ellis voted "nay." The second motion, made by Rodney Ellis to nominate Al Mattingly, failed because it was superseded by the vote on the first nominee. The name of Paula Roberts will be submitted to the Judge Executive as the Board's nominee.

There being no New Business and no further business, President Kevin Dorth adjourned the meeting at 5:23 pm.

The next meeting of the Daviess County Public Library Board of Trustees will be held at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, October 21, 2026, in the second floor meeting room of the Daviess County Public Library.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "K. Dorth", is centered on the page.