

Avon Grove Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 27, 2026
Avon Grove Library Community Room
Submitted by Allison Thomas

I. Welcome: 7:03 pm

- A. In attendance: Sue Geiger, Pat McKeon, Allison Thomas, Jack Waber, Cordelia Rosazza, Walter Borys, David Payne, Joe Sherwood (guest; Chester County Library System)

II. Adoption of Agenda

- A. Motion to adopt the agenda made by Jack, seconded by Sue, the motion carried.

III. Guest – Joe Sherwood, Executive Director, Chester County Library System

- A. A new director has started in West Chester. Coatesville is still searching for a director.
- B. Downingtown and Eastown have building projects pending, but they are probably several years out (early planning stages).
- C. Starting on Monday, CCLS will have a new development director.
- D. PA Budget – has to be completed within 30 days. No information available yet.
- E. Pat inquired about the status of the strategic plan. We are currently in a holding pattern pending the completion of Chester County's plan. Likely ETA is late summer / early fall.

IV. Minutes of 04/22/2026

- A. No changes.
- B. Motion to approve the minutes made by Pat, seconded by Cordelia, the motion carried.

V. Director's Report – David Payne, Director, see attached report.

- A. April circulation numbers were second highest of the year.
- B. Megan Smith has been hired to fill the open part-time Youth Services position.
- C. Programming highlights include Roberta McManus / Women of the Revolution, which kicked off the Chester County 250 events, and drew new attendees from a broader area.
- D. The library bell decorated for Chester County 250 will be going to the West Grove History Center.
- E. The Art in the Park series kicked off at Harmony Park. Upcoming programs filled up very quickly.
- F. The Storytime in the Park kickoff at Nichol Park had 34 attendees, which is very good attendance.
- G. There are two upcoming programs with master gardeners.
- H. Chris Perotti completed the connection to the Borough's generator. The generator did work during a recent power outage.
- I. The library received its first payment of the year from West Grove Borough.
- J. Youth Services visited 8 schools in 8 days, presenting 72 informational sessions.
- K. Beiler-Campbell Realtors are donating proceeds from a recent charity event, which will be divided among Avon Grove Library and five other libraries.
- L. On May 4th, David attended a forum on AI.
- M. Next week, the Avon Grove Lion's Club will be making a donation.
- N. Motion to approve the Director's Report made by Cordelia, seconded by Pat, the motion carried.

VI. Treasurer's Report - Cordelia Rosazza, Treasurer, see attached report.

- A. Tax Form – Cordelia addressed a few questions that had been submitted via email. She will circulate it and seek approval via email from the Board, then file it next week. **ACTION ITEM:** *The form will need to be formally approved during the June meeting.*

- B. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report made by Pat, seconded by Allison, the motion carried.

VII. Old Business

- A. No old business for discussion.

VIII. New Business

- A. CCLS Legislative Breakfast Report – Representatives attended from about 20 municipalities.
- B. PA Forward Gold Star Award – Avon Grove Library received this award. It recognizes proficiency in five areas of literacy and it revolves around library programming in all of those areas.

IX. Committee Reports

- A. No committee reports.

IX. Other items for discussion

- A. No other items for discussion.

X. Adjournment

- A. Motion to adjourn at 7:49 pm made by Cordelia, seconded by Pat, the motion carried.

Signed By
Allison Thomas
Secretary