

WOODFORD COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

August 19, 2026 5:00 p.m.

Woodford County Main Library

Present: President Annie Denton, Vice President Shirley Wilson, Treasurer Daniel Schulman, Secretary Molly Krumm, Heather Plunkett (Assistant Director), Delilah Gibbins (Midway Branch Manager), and Stacy Thurman (Director).

Absent: Member Maurice (Moe) Bakke.

Guests: Phyllis Mattingly, Attorney; Steele Rouse, Attorney; Chris Bischoff, KDLA Regional Consultant.

CALL TO ORDER

President Annie Denton called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF JULY MINUTES

President Annie Denton submitted a draft of the minutes from the regular meeting on July 15, 2026 for the Board's consideration. Daniel Schulman made a motion to approve the minutes. Shirley Wilson seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion by a vote of 4-0.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Stacy Thurman presented the financial report. Daniel Schulman made a motion to approve the financial report. Molly Krumm seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion by a vote of 4-0.

VERSAILLES REPORT

Heather Plunkett reported that 692 kids, 145 teens, and 398 adults signed up for Summer Reading. The Library saw 5,131 children over the summer, with 2,372 of that number from the Lunch Bunch summer feeding program. The Summer Reading Pool Party had 177 Summer Reading finishers attend. The Library's Thursday special programs have been very well attended this year. Bookie Wilson has been visiting classrooms to promote Science in Play2Go, an interactive exhibit from the Kentucky Science Center that is coming to the Library in September. For teens, Heather reported that Dungeons and Dragons Session 0 had 18 teens make characters. A new series of programs called "How to Be a Person" helps teens build essential life skills. Young Adult Librarian Megan Hussmann said that this is the most successful teen Summer Reading to date. For adults, there were 1,724 entry forms turned in for the drawing for adult prizes. Attendance for programs such as the Mystery and Friday book clubs, sea shell candles, needle felting, and wreath making was all very good. The watercolor class was filled to capacity and a drawing class will take place starting in September. Woodford Test Kitchen saw 15 participants for the Ale-8-One taste test, and 26 for the chocolate chip cookie blind taste test.

MIDWAY REPORT

Delilah Gibbins reported that in July, the Puzzle Exchange and Board Game Day had 18 attendees. Staff member Katie Flora has started a program called Tween Scene, which is growing in attendance. On August 4, bourbon expert Stephen Yates from the Frazier Museum talked to 7 patrons about the history of bourbon. On August 19, Woodford County EMS will hold a Narcan training program. Coming soon,

Delilah will be starting a teen book club. On August 26, "My Money and Me" will help patrons discover spending habits, and learn tips and tricks to save money. On August 29, the Cookbook Collective program will take place, and participants will be able to swap recipes. On September 3, the Midway Branch will have a book "speed dating" program where patrons read the first page of books to see whether they want to read them. On September 11, the Branch will hold a trivia program called "Are You Smarter than a Librarian?" September 13 will be Grandparents Sock Hop Day, including a retro malt shop experience. Local artist John Berry will be showing artwork in the community room with a reception on September 27. This year's POW-MIA Ceremony will be on September 18 at 10am in Versailles, and 1pm in Midway.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. ENDOWMENT DISCUSSION – PHYLLIS MATTINGLY, ATTORNEY

Attorney Phyllis Mattingly, who is settling Linda Bosse's estate, estimated the amount the Library might receive from estate to be approximately \$900,000. Phyllis discussed Linda Bosse's life and interests to give the Board a sense of what her wishes for the funds might have been. Stacy Thurman recommended that the Board take the money from the Raymond James donor advised fund and have the Atlanta Consulting Group manage it. Attorney Steele Rouse recommended that the Library create an endowment policy. Shirley Wilson made a motion to draw the money from the Raymond James donor advised fund to be managed by the Atlanta Consulting Group. Molly Krumm seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion by a vote of 4-0.

B. 2026-2027 TAX RATE

The Board discussed several potential tax rates presented by Stacy Thurman. Last year's tax rate was 5%. Shirley Wilson made a motion to take a 4.5% tax rate this year. Molly Krumm seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion by a vote of 4-0.

C. NEW FLOORING IN VERSAILLES

Stacy Thurman presented an estimate from Mathis Flooring for new carpet and flooring in various areas of the Main Library. The estimate was approximately \$30,000 for new flooring. Daniel Schulman made a motion to accept the estimate from Mathis Flooring. Shirley Wilson seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion by a vote of 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

The Main Library now has an AED located in the Community Room. Stacy Thurman would like the Library to become the first "Heart Safe" library in Kentucky.

Elba Salinas will soon begin teaching an English for Beginners class at the Library.

The murder mystery program that was postponed due to a medical emergency during the show will now take place on October 15.

ADJOURN

Daniel Schulman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Molly Krumm seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion to adjourn by a vote of 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

ATTEST:

President

Secretary

Date:
