

**Minutes of the  
Aurora Public Library District Board meeting  
April 28, 2025**

The board meeting of the Aurora Public Library District was called to order President Turner at 6:15 pm on April 28, 2025, at Local History Library at the Depot. In attendance were board members Ben Turner, Heather Tackitt, Terri Nicholson, Jascia Robinson and Peggy Mix; Guest Sarah Ankenbauer, Director Leslie Sutherlin; and Business Manager Lydia Morath. Not in attendance were Jack Sutton and Angela Burkhardt.

Mix motioned and Turner seconded to approve the March 2025 minutes. Motion passed. Robinson motioned and Mix seconded to approve the April 3 Special meeting with corrections. Motion passed. Board signatures will be collected at the next meeting due to some absences and corrections. Nicholson motioned and Robinson seconded to approve the April Claims totaling \$85,742.17. Motion passed. It was agreed by consensus to table the Treasurer's report until the May meeting due to the switch to the new accounting software.

Sutherlin shared her Librarian's Report. The staff were celebrated with National Library Week. Many staff members have been involved with professional development this month: Sutherlin and Ankenbauer attended the ILF Regional meeting, Morath and Sutherlin attended the Civista Banking and Fraud training, Jessica Rowlett attended a cataloguing training, and Rowlett and Emily Combs attended the IU Literacy and Libraries Symposium. Sutherlin shared that Morath is working with AVC with the new software. Depot asphaltting is complete and striping is left for the project there. The AC unit was moved before the recent flood but all of the ductwork will not be able to be used. Sutherlin spoke about the Dillsboro project. The basement contents have mostly been moved to an offsite storage. A logistics meeting was held with Maxwell and a furniture update with krM. It was found the DPL lift station was inspected and found to be at end of life; Sutherlin hopes to hear costs needed for that soon. Progress for the project can be followed on the library website. The library was involved with the Hillforest Book Lover's Tea again. Digitization of the composites is complete and now the bird book is undergoing scanning. APLD acquired home photos taken from Charles Gerkepott in the 30s and 40s and staff are currently researching these items.

Sutherlin shared the recent plans from the most recent Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment update from krM; a package should be coming for board approval in May or June. She also shared the most recent documents from the construction meeting with Maxwell. No action needed for either.

With no other patron comments, it was announced that the next meeting will be at Aurora Public Library on May 19, 2025, a week earlier due to the Memorial Day holiday. Robinson motioned to adjourn at 7:24.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Nicholson

Terri Nicholson, secretary

Peggy Mix

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