

**APLD Board Meeting  
September 22, 2025**

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of Aurora Public Library District was called to order on Sept. 22, 2025, at 6:16 pm, at Aurora Public Library. Trustees attending were Ben Turner, Jack Sutton, Terri Nicholson, Jascia Robinson, and Peggy Mix; unable to attend were Angela Burkhardt and Heather Tackitt. Also in attendance were Leslie Sutherlin, director; Lydia Morath, Business Manager; and Sarah Ankenbauer, guest.

Sutton motioned and Mix seconded to approve the August 2025 minutes. Motion passed. Robinson motioned and Nicholson seconded to approve the minutes from the Special September 8, 2025 meeting. Motion passed. Sutton motioned and Mix seconded to move the claims to the end of the meeting. Motion passed.

The financial report was shared, including LIT revenue. Sutton motioned and Robinson seconded to accept the August Treasurer's Report. Motion passed. Sutherlin shared her Librarian's Report including updates on the Dillsboro project. The building is currently closed to transition from operations upstairs to downstairs. Many subcontractors and technicians are involved, including technology, new appliances, book drop, casework, and electrical. The first punch list meeting was held. Sutherlin also shared the caboose project was recently reviewed by the Indiana Landmarks representative Mitchell Knigga. Sutherlin shared several professional meetings and recent programming.

Sutherlin shared the 2026 budget for adoption. Form 3: Notice to taxpayers was submitted on August 27, 2025, and attended her DLGF budget workshop on July 31, 2025. Budgets were set at Operating/General: \$3,541,471; Rainy Day: \$75,000; LIRF: \$600,000. The proposed budget reflects the state approved Average Growth Quotient of 4.0%. Sutton motioned and Nicholson seconded to adopt the budget. Motion passed.

Sutton motioned and Mix seconded to approve the Disbursement #5 for the Dillsboro Project. Motion passed. Sutton motioned and Robinson seconded to approve the corrected August claims of \$609,143.42. Motion passed. Sutton motioned and Nicholson seconded to approve the September claims totaling \$481,880.49. Motion passed.

Sutherlin presented the Library Behavior Policy for review. Nicholson motioned and Mix seconded to re-approve with minor changes. Motion passed. Sutherlin shared the Social Media Policy for review but the consensus was to table. Mix motioned and Robinson seconded to approve the 2026 meeting dates with minor changes.

Having no patron comments, it was announced the next meeting would be Monday, October 27, 2025, at 6:15 at Aurora Public Library. Nicholson motioned to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

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Terri Nicholson, secretary

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