

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Held on
September 9, 2024

The Library Board of Directors of the Kanawha County Public Library held its monthly meeting on Monday, September 9, 2024 at 4:00 PM. This was a hybrid meeting held in the Board Room at New Main and via Zoom.

The following Board members were present:

Mr. J. Auge	Ms. S. Shutmate
Mr. C. Erlewine	Ms. D. Sonis
Ms. S. Haden	Dr. K. Sullivan
Mr. T. Hurney	Ms. C. Tawney
Ms. B. King	Dr. R. Wallace
Ms. B. Malkin	

KCPL staff members present were Ms. Erika Connelly, Ms. Marsha Alford, Ms. Susan Murphy, Ms. Sarah Mitchell, Mr. Tim Venitansos, Ms. Adele Thumm, Ms. Terri McDougal, and Mr. Michael Polak.

Others in attendance were Chris Winton, library counsel.

Ms. Haden presided and reported that a quorum was present. The Director served as secretary. The meeting was called to order at 4:01 PM.

Approval of Minutes

Upon a motion made, seconded, and ADOPTED the minutes of both the regular board meeting on August 12, 2024 were approved as distributed in the board packet.

Director's Report

Ms. Connelly scheduled a special meeting of the Board's Finance Committee in November to score the bid packet for an upcoming audit.

She invited all interested Board members to volunteer for the West Virginia Book Festival scheduled for Saturday, October 19.

Committee Reports

1. Eastern Kanawha County Planning:

Dr. Sullivan recapped the committee's last meeting on August 26th. Committee members brainstormed on their goals for the proposed new branch. They anticipate planning for it to be the largest branch location in the system at 12-15,000 square feet and see it as the potential future home for the Bookmobile. The location for the branch is still being discussed, the Committee would like to make sure each side of the Kanawha River in this region has an active service point.

2. Building:

On behalf of Committee Chair, Mr. Jarrett, Ms. Connelly presented what the Building Committee is presently tracking.

The tile project in Elk Valley is nearing completion.

The St. Albans Branch is temporarily closed for asbestos abatement, it will be re-opened on September 23rd.

Continued issues at the Marmet Branch may lead to that branch being closed and services replaced by the Bookmobile. The Board discussed the potential of another lending kiosk installation in Marmet. Further plans for this will come out of the Building and Eastern Kanawha committee.

3. Membership:

Ms. Haden and the Membership committee are currently reaching out to each Board member to discuss their current experience. Dr. Sullivan will be the Board representative at the Fall West Virginia Library Association conference in Wheeling at Oglebay in the beginning of October.

There being no further of business, a motion was made to adjourn this meeting. Motion was seconded, and the meeting ADJOURNED at 4:29 p.m.