

DUBOIS COUNTY CONTRACTUAL PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Thursday, July 10, 2025 at 4:00 PM
Jasper Public Library Meeting Room

Present: Steve Scott, Gaylene Laubscher, Nona Baker, Marc Steczyk, Ann Shappard, Anna Grant, Lisa Kincer (attended virtually), Director Christine Golden, Experience Manager Jordan Schuetter, Ferdinand Branch Manager Trina James, Attorney Greg Schnarr **Absent:** Kathy Eckerle, Heidi Ehrhard, Pamela Catt, Abby Kennedy

1. **Call to Order:** President Scott called the regular Dubois County Contractual Public Library meeting to order at 4:00 PM in the Jasper Public Library Meeting Room.
2. **Consent Agenda:**
 - a. **Minutes:** Minutes from the regular Dubois County Contractual Public Library meeting held on June 12, 2025, given to the board for review.
 - b. **Financial Reports:** The Treasurer's Report covering June 1, 2025, through June 30, 2025, was provided to the Board for review.
 - c. **Claims:** Copies of the claims were provided to the Board for review and approval.
 - d. **Managers' Reports:** The Ferdinand, Birdseye, and Dubois Branch Managers' reports were included in the board packets for review.

On motion by Laubscher, second by Grant, the Consent Agenda was approved. (6-0, Kincer abstain)

3. **Public Forum:** none

4. New Business

- a. **E-Rate Consortium Resolution:** Golden presented the annual resolution to join the consortium through the State Library to agree to internet safety guidelines to be eligible for federal E-Rate funding for the 2026-2027 funding period.

On motion by Steczyk, second by Baker, the E-Rate Consortium Resolution was approved. (6-0, Kincer abstain)

- b. **2026 Budget Overview:** Golden gave a brief overview of the 2026 budget. Many numbers are preliminary with final revenue projections coming from the DLGF in the coming weeks. Golden and Schitter will share full budget proposal at August board meeting and then meet with DLGF representative on Friday, August 15.

5. Library Updates, Director Golden:

- a. **Summer Reading:** Summer reading is off to a fantastic start at all four libraries. The libraries all had their own kickoff parties to celebrate the beginning of the summer.
- b. **Statistics:** The libraries already have a combined door count of just 14,000 for the first two weeks of summer with almost 15,000 items checked out during that same time span.

6. **Upcoming conferences/workshops/meetings:** The libraries will be closed on Friday, August 8 for staff development day.

7. **Next Regular Meeting:** The next regular Dubois County Contractual Public Library meeting is scheduled to be held at the Jasper Public Library on Thursday, August 11, 2025, at 4:00 PM.

8. **Adjournment:** On a Motion by Laubscher, second by Shappard, the meeting adjourned. (6-0, Kincer abstain)

Signed this _____ 14th _____ day of _____ August _____, 2025

Heidi Orland
Steve Scott
Norm Baker
Wm. St.
Amy Kennedy

Nachy Eckert
Gayle Laubscher
Lisa Kincer

ATTEST

Gayle Laubscher
Secretary