BOURBONNAIS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RECORD OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING PROCEEDINGS

June 15, 2026

President David Stejkowski called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bourbonnais Public Library District at 7:00 p.m. on June 15, 2026.

Trustees Present Mary Kay Blankestyn, Kate Burgess, Jen Corke-Kafer, Ellen Stringer, and David Stejkowski. Trustees absent were Jessica Prentkowski and Laurie Hofman.

Also Present Library Director Kelly McCully and Assistant Director Stacey Van Kley

Introduction of Visitors and Public Comment None

Review Agenda for Additions/Changes None

Consent Agenda- Action

Approve May 18, 2026, Minutes

Approve Financial Report and Payment of Bills for May 2026

Approve Check Registers

Corke-Kafer made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Blankestyn seconded the motion. Burgess, Stringer, and Stejkowski voted in the affirmative.

Officer's Reports

Correspondence & Communications

We had two items of correspondence. A family donated to the giving tree. Their name will appear on the tree in the vestibule. We received a thank you note and a donation. The note thanked the library for the programming. Additional information is included in the Director's Report.

Director's Report

The Library received two donations this month. A bronze leaf donation for the Branches of Friendship wall from Gary and Paula Satkamp, and a general donation from Michele Walch, in appreciation of our programs and the work we do as a community.

The Marketing Department wrapped up the Love Your Library Visibility Campaign with 136 people signing up. The goal of this outreach initiative was to raise awareness of the importance of our library and connect us in a meaningful way to businesses and organizations in our community.

The promotion of our community survey was incredibly successful. The survey closed on June 8th with 487 submissions, surpassing the goal of 379. The survey will be analyzed and discussed at a later date.

On May 30 and 31st, the floors in the Youth Services programming space were cleaned and resurfaced.

Clove Alliance will present our required annual sexual harassment training on Wednesday, June 17th at 8 am.

Patrons have requested more access to eBooks and eAudiobooks. In response, working with Briana Schott, our Adult Services supervisor, Assistant Director Van Kley established a Libby Advantage account, which will allow our Library to respond to our patrons' high holds, significantly reducing the time patrons wait for their digital content. All eBooks and eAudiobooks purchased through the Advantage account will be accessible only to BPL patrons. For FY2026-27, a significant investment will be made to increase resources for this collection in response to patron feedback.

Summer is here! BPL has resources to help patrons get out and explore. Museum Adventure Pass and Explore More Illinois give library patrons access to discounts for zoos, museums, and many other attractions.

The Kid Librarian program has started! We had so many kid librarians register that each month several will be selected to work with a Children's Services Librarian to create their own display of their favorite books. Please stop by to see our latest Kid Librarian displays.

Circulation Supervisor Josh Hedding-Hess & Teen Services Supervisor Alex Johnson visited local schools to play The Library Game and spread the word about bookBONNAIS: A Community Reading Challenge to students at Bourbonnais & St. George Elementary schools.

Committee Reports

Finance Finance committee met on June 15th, 2026.

Personnel None

Policy None

Building & Grounds None

Long Range Planning None

Old Business None

New Business

Discuss Draft Concept Renderings of Potential Building Addition

Discuss Finance Committee Recommendations

ACTION: Approve Non-participation in Non-resident Library Card Program

Trustee Springer made a motion to approve Non-participation in Non-resident Library Card Program. Stejkowski seconded the motion. Blankestyn, Burgess, Corke-Kafer voted affirmatively. Trustees Hofman and Prentkowski were absent. The motion passed.

ACTION: Review of Closed Session Minutes

Trustee Springer made a motion to review closed session minutes. Stejkowski seconded the motion. Blankestyn, Burgess, Corke-Kafer voted affirmatively. Trustees Hofman and Prentkowski were absent. The motion passed.

ACTION: Adopt Ordinance 26-01- Meeting Dates Ordinance FY26-27

Trustee Springer made a motion to adopt Ordinance 26-01 Meeting Dates Ordinance FY26-27. Stejkowski seconded the motion. Blankestyn, Burgess, Corke-Kafer voted affirmatively. Trustees Hofman and Prentkowski were absent. The motion passed.

ACTION: Adopt Ordinance 26-02- .02 Percent Tax Ordinance

Trustee Springer made a motion to adopt Ordinance 20-02- .02 Percent Tax Ordinance. Stejkowski seconded the motion. Blankestyn, Burgess, Corke-Kafer voted affirmatively. Trustees Hofman and Prentkowski were absent. The motion passed.

Public Comment None

Adjournment Blanketyn made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. Corke-Kafer seconded the motion, and it passed with a unanimous vote of the present trustees.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate Burgess
Secretary