

Crawfordsville District Public Library Board of Trustees minutes, July 9, 2026

Monthly Board Meeting for July

President Benedicks called the monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 4:10 p.m. Trustees present were Dr. Benedicks, Mrs. Helms, Mr. Parke, Mr. Littell, and Ms. Steelman Wilson, library assistant director. Mr. Brewer and Library Director, Ms. Tyner, were absent.

Public Comments: No public comments.

Minutes: Mr. Littell motioned to approve minutes from the library board regular meeting on June 11, 2026. Mr. Parke seconded. Motion carried.

Claims: Ms. Steelman Wilson presented the claims list of \$400,858.87 for June 13, 2026 through July 4, 2026 for review, with brief explanations. Mrs. Helms motioned to accept the claims list, and Mr. Parke seconded. Motion carried.

Committee Reports: Ms. Steelman Wilson reported that Main Street organization has not met since the last board meeting. There has been no one appointed to the Park and Rec board or the Friends of the Carnegie since the departure of Ms. Smith from the library board. Neither the Internal Controls committee nor the Fundraising committee has met since the last board meeting.

Old Business: Bids for the repair/replacement of the library's east concrete steps and the CMMC storm drains were reviewed and discussed. Dr. Benedicks suggested to table the decision until next month to allow time for more detailed information from Grote Construction and to try to reduce the cost. Mr. Parke motioned and Mr. Littell seconded. Motion carried.

Director's Report: Ms. Steelman Wilson presented the Director's Report on behalf of Ms. Tyner. She highlighted how the interlibrary loans have increased with Evergreen.

The Square programming is complete for donations, but has not yet been tested.

Neil Ulsh, a new custodian, started work today.

The Max Levy Growth Quotient is 6% for this year. If the library wishes to remain unbinding in terms of the 2027 budget, it must plan to work within a less than 3% levy growth.

There has been no movement with the Friends of the Library organization yet but will begin soon.

The transfers have not yet been made into the new restricted gift funds.

Financial Reports: Ms. Steelman Wilson presented the financial reports. As of the end of June, 50% of the year was remaining with 61.3% of the budget remaining to be spent. There were no questions.

New Business: Mr. Littell moved to approve the Additional Appropriation Resolution for Unrestricted Gift Funds. Mr. Parke seconded. Motion carried.

Dr. Benedicks moved to table Board Officer, Bank Signers and Committees until the newly-appointed board members could be present. Mr. Parke seconded. Motion carried.

Ms. Tyner had prepared multi-year statistics on Gate Count, Meeting Room programs, Attendance and Meeting Room Revenue for board information regarding Fall and Winter Hours. No action was taken at this time.

Adjournment: Dr. Benedicks moved to adjourn the meeting with Mrs. Helms seconding the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.