

BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
LEXINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
January 14, 2026

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lexington Public Library was held in the Large Meeting Room of the Bates Creek Branch on Wednesday, January 14, 2026, at 4:30 p.m.

Board members present: Lynda Bebrowsky, Rania Belmadani, Ralph Coldiron, Louetta Hurst, Stephanie Nallia, Yajaira West. Advisory Board members present: Elizabeth Adams, Melissa Coulston, Jason Hall, Laura Hatfield, Shawntaye Hopkins, Wendi Keene, Hunter Porter, Lisa Smith.

Library staff present: Heather Dieffenbach, Executive Director; Tonya Head, Deputy Director; AnnaMarie Cornett, Director of Strategic Initiatives; Kevin Imai, Human Resources Director; Christopher Oakford, Executive Assistant; Kelli Parmley, Director of Education; Rob Parmley, Director of Operations; Susan Price, Bates Creek Branch Manager; Cecilee Salyers, Bates Creek Branch Teen Librarian; Rob Serrate, Chief Administrative Officer; Paige Halpin Smith, Director of Philanthropy; Tony Snowden, Security Supervisor; Johnna Waldon, Bates Creek Branch Assistant Manager.

Others present: Simon Boes, Friends of the Library; Ellen Gish, Stites & Harbison; Marissa Webb.

Ms. Bebrowsky called the meeting to order and brought forward a motion for the board to approve the minutes of the December meeting. Mr. Coldiron seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

Ms. Smith gave the Development report. The Foundation received just over \$115,000 from 206 donations in December. Ms. Smith also asked board members to save the date of February 26 for a State of the Library event at the Central Library.

Mr. Boes gave the Friends report. The Friends had eight new memberships and 12 renewals in December. Events were being planned at Burl Brew on Saturday, January 31, and at UK on February 12.

Mr. Serrate gave the financial statement. As of the end of November, the Library had total assets of \$29,388,300 and total liabilities of \$1,389,000, leaving a fund balance of \$27,999,300. General Fund revenues were \$1,867,500 and expenditures \$1,315,400. In the Materials Fund, revenues, year-to-date, were \$1,395,800 and expenditures were \$1,373,900. Investments totaled \$16,200,300 and debt totaled \$10,258,560.


Ms. Dieffenbach presented the Director's report. She discussed the recently expanded hours at the Marksbury Family Branch Makerspace, and she congratulated members of staff who received a service award at Staff Development Day and the 2025 Joseph H. Miller Customer Service Award recipient, Tony Snowden.

Ms. Bebrowsky presented the Chair's report. She confirmed the date and location of the next meeting as February 11, 2026 at the Eastside Branch. She then asked Ms. Hatfield to take the oath of office, as it was her first meeting since her appointment to the Advisory Board.

Neither the Building and Property Committee nor the Board Development Committee met in January.

Ms. Nallia presented the Budget and Finance report. She brought forward a motion for the board to approve the financial statement presented by Mr. Serrate earlier in the meeting. Mr. Coldiron seconded and the motion was carried unanimously. Ms. Nallia also confirmed that she and Ms. Bebrowsky had examined the checks and credit card statements for December.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.

Signed: 
Yajaira West, Secretary