



Delaware County Libraries
Board of Directors
MINUTES
Thursday, June 26, 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order – 6:31pm by Allen

Present: Jody Allen, Jessica Brangiel, Jenny Shulbank, Karen Standen

Absent: Inder Baines, Virginia Maroun, Helen McGrane

2. Public Comments on Agenda Items - No Comments

3. Presentation by Upper Darby Township & Sellers Memorial Free Public Library Municipal Branch Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Four teens from the Upper Darby Township & Sellers Memorial Free Public Library Municipal Branch Teen Advisory Board (TAB), joined by staff members Jean Kosha and Corey, gave a presentation about the TAB's experience visiting Harrisburg and advocating for library support with legislators. They also shared more information about the TAB program and the activities they do throughout the year. Their PowerPoint presentation is attached to these minutes.

4. Minutes: April 17, 2025 (Allen)

Motion to approve made and seconded by Standen, Shulbank; unanimous approval

5. Communications & Announcements (Laepple)

a. Summer Beanstack Challenges

Color Our World Summer Reading Challenges are available for all ages on Beanstack June 1 to August 13.

b. Journey Across Delco

Young readers are invited to visit libraries across the county and learn about different picture book illustrators and collect brag tags June 19 through August 13.

c. Science in the Summer

Children entering 2nd through 6th grades can register now on LibCal for this year's Science in the Summer program, *Be a Health Scientist!*

d. StoryWalk®

DCL's StoryWalk® has been relocated within Rose Tree Park and can now be found near the playground. Thank you to the students and instructors from Williamson College of the Trades and the Delco Parks Department for moving the installation making it more accessible!

6. Financial Report: May 31, 2025 (Allen)

Motion to approve made and seconded by Standen, Shulbank; unanimous approval

7. Administrator's Report (Laepple)

a. DCL Headquarters staffing

Two new staff have joined the DCL Headquarters staff replaced recently retired employees. Angela Brown is the new Adult Services Coordinator and Meena Aaditya is the Clerical Support.

b. District Negotiated Agreement 2025-2026

The Delaware District 2025-2026 DNA was approved on June 10 by the Office of Commonwealth Libraries. Thank you to member libraries for submitting their Member Acknowledgements in a timely fashion allowing for the quick approval.

c. County-Wide In-Service

DCL will again host a County-Wide In-Service later in the year. Planning has begun and a date is forthcoming. Libraries will be asked to close for the day so as many staff as possible can participate.

d. System-Wide Evaluation Task Force and Strategic Plan Updates

The Legislative Breakfast Planning Committee had a kick off meeting 6/26. The committee identified 3 goals for the event: 1) relationship building, 2) education, and 3) recognition. Please begin considering if there is a library supporter in your community you may want to nominate for an award. Details on the awards will be released soon. The event will take place in March 2026.

8. Committee Reports (Allen) – Committee Reports

9. New Business

a. Policy Revision: Automation Policy (Laepple)

The DCL Policy Committee and member libraries directors recommended to the board revisions to the Overdue Fine Maximum and Blocking of Patrons sections of the policy (red line and clean copy provided in packed). Laepple reviewed the recommendations prior to the board vote.

Motion to approve made and seconded by Shulbank, Brangiel; unanimous approval

10. Old Business (Allen) – No Old Business

11. Public Comments (Allen)

- a.** Lisa (Ridley Township Public Library & Resource Center) – announced the library's upcoming minigolf event, Tuesday Evening DIY program, and Bollywood Dance Project program. She also shared that the library has collected 183 units of blood at Red Cross blood drives in 2025 and processed 764 new passport applications year-to-date.

12. Adjourn (Allen)

Motion to adjourn made and seconded by Brangiel, Allen; unanimous approval
Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm

Next Meeting: August 21, 6:30pm