

Lebanon-Laclede County Library District Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting

May 19, 2026

The Lebanon-Laclede County Library District Board of Trustees met Tuesday, May 19, 2026, at the Lebanon-Laclede County Library. President Mark Campbell called the meeting to order at 5:01pm.

Trustees present: Mark Campbell, Mike Simpson, Susan Sellers, Glenn Lawrence, Lisa Anthony, Christine Hutson, Bob Scoby and Kerry Lewis.

Trustees absent:

Michael Kinion was absent. With eight of nine Trustees present, a quorum was established.

Also present: Tina Chaney, Library Director; Christal Haueter, Circulation Manager; Mark Spangler, Jim Lewis, and Jack Silberberg

Agenda

Mike Simpson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented to the Board with the amendment of changing the date to 2026, adding Committee Updates, Special District Strategy Proposal and Technology Assessment to New Business. Susan Sellers seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

Minutes from April 21, 2026

Christine Hutson made a motion to approve the minutes taken at the Board Meeting held on April 21, 2026, as presented to the Board. Glenn Lawrence seconded. Motion passed 8-0.

Financials Report

Mark Campbell made a motion to approve the February 2026 financials report. Susan Sellers seconded. There was a check reported that needed to be voided as it was issued later in two checks. Bobby Scoby recommended that our CD be moved into an account similar to the Lebanon Area Foundation's mutual fund account. The Books for Bucks line revenue was blank and should be included there in the future, plus a year's worth of history was passed as a motion 8-0. The motion to accept the Financial Report was passed 8-0.

Library Tour— no tour was made.

President's Report

Parking Lot has occasionally has had vehicles hanging out after hours. If noticed you should call the police.

Summer reading program is out on social media, and Friends contributed. Scholastic Book Fair is coming up. Gift Shop sales are up.

President Mark Campbell asked for Friends of the Library and Foundation Board updates.

Friends Update: Bob Scoby said 190 people bought \$3761 worth of books at the ½ Price Sale. All the books that did not sell at the last book sale, some 20,000 books, were donated to Convoy of Hope. Let them know if you see any overflowing book donation barrel.

Foundation Board Update: Their April minutes were submitted.

Director's Report

Tina Chaney emailed her report to the Board in advance.

Tina said the light pole has been removed. She said the Foundation's grant writing committee turned in their first grant to purchase books geared towards military families. Tina said she sent letters to State Representatives Schmidt and Knight about A&E money. She asked the Board if they wanted nametags so people could identify them.

The library's website has until 2027 to become ADA compliant. Tina said she has a training Friday with an attorney libraries use, and he will recommend what needs to be done. She said she met with Christal about meeting rooms and wants to change the policy to say users must be out of rooms 15 minutes prior to the library closing and the price patrons are charged for use. Mike Simpson made a motion to approve the purchase of name tags for Board members. Bob Scoby seconded. The motion passed 9-0.

A puzzle swap exchange and table has been set up by the Friends of the Library. Puzzles have gone but none returned or added.

The new Safe at Home program was discussed and will include training.

The online donation is expected to be working by June 15th. Donations for the Museum via a QR code will be considered after the system is working.

The picture of Bob Mitchel has been moved and Susan Sellers will write a biography to be included in the rehang of his picture.

Committee Reports

The Facilities Committee submitted a report containing various possible improvements, including replacing the foyer lights. The ADA door was fixed. Instead of adding mulch weed spray will be used. Laclede Industries will prune the bushes in the back but will not take down larger trees. Future roof work needs funding to be set aside. A contractor has been contacted to add a third downspout at the back of the building. The need for speed bumps in the rear might need to be added. Willard will be contacted about the speed bumps and refreshing the striping. The display cabinets need to be repaired and repainted.

Finance Committee reviewed the accounts and they recommend the transfer of salaries of the two dedicated Gift Shop workers be done once a year against the \$132,000 in the Gift Shop account. This would include the prior 3 years and in February going forward. The sales and costs showed a net of \$5000 and will be better reviewed. Bob Scoby made a motion to move some of that money and Christine Hutson seconded. Some sale items have an upcharge that might be low and needs to be reviewed and an annual inventory is needed. Motion passed 8-0.

New Business

The Gala Dinner will be a thank you for stake holders. Future events will be more of a fund raiser. Mrs. Weatherington will do a live portrait to be auctioned. The pros and cons of including alcohol in our building were discussed. Bob Scoby made a motion to exclude alcohol and Glenn Lawrence seconded. Motioned passed 4-3 with one abstention.

Cole provided a Special Districts report on legislation that could affect the library. A portion of half cent sales tax could eliminate our reliance on property taxes. Chapter 100 tax abutments could affect property tax collection. There will be a Special District round table on June 2nd in Camdenton, plus a summit session in Monet in October. The US Department of Justice requirement regarding ADA compliance has been delayed a year. He presented and discussed draft policies for custodian of meeting minutes, meeting minute retention, conflict of interest, and public comments. Meeting minutes should be kept for at least 3 years but could be forever. Conflict of Interest for trustees would include bids and work by trustees or relatives, and should recuse from votes on such. Board members should also not be related to staff. The public comment period on non-agenda items will be on the published agenda including an overall time limit. Each person will get an agreed time limit and subject to decorum. Comment on agenda items would be allowed during item discussion.

A vote to close the Library at 3pm on Dec 4th for the Gala was passed 8-0.

Bob Scoby asked about reimbursement for attending Board approved events. Cole said attending with him to special district events will be reimbursed by him.

No financial audit has been done.

Bob asked if there was any excess furniture. There might be 2 filing cabinets. He also asked if there are any other Route 66 Gift Shops. Redmon's has Route 66 items. Bob has someone who wants the display cabinets in the Missouri Room. Tina will coordinate.

Old Business

Three bids were received for new computers. After discussion Bob Scoby made a motion and Kerry Lewis seconded. The vote was 8-0 to purchase the computers from Ryan of MyNetworks for a cost of \$14,250.

Closed Session

Roll Call Vote:

Mark made a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel at 7:24 pm for personnel issues.

Christine Hutson, Member	Yes
Mark Campbell, President and Member	Yes
Lisa Anthony, Member	Yes
Susan Sellers, Member	Yes
Mike Simpson, Member	Yes
Glenn Lawrence, Vice President and Member	Yes
Bob Scoby, Member	Yes
Kerry Lewis, Treasurer and Member	Yes

The Closed Session ended at 8:02pm.

Adjournment

At 8:04pm Mike Simpson made a motion to adjourn. Christine Hutson seconded. Motion approved 8-0.