

Fred A. Vaught Memorial Library
Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 2nd, 2025

Present:

Megan Lee, Cindy Matthews, Amy Davenport, Kelsey Dickens, Jenesia Ellis, Kathy Robertson

Amy Davenport called the meeting to order. With no corrections or additions, a motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes was made by Jenesia Ellis and seconded by Kelsey Dickens.

Old Business:

Official budgets for departments have been dispersed by the county, with ours meeting Maintenance of Effort at \$173,959 (less the \$2,000 estimated spending from Contributions). Currently, our reserve fund total is \$34,418.79.

Summer Reading winners were drawn in August and announced on social media and in The Vidette. They were: Youth – Nova Marcellino, Teen – Leilani Campbell, and Adult – Amanda Garey.

Tech Goes Home classes will begin in the library via grant on September 13th, and last through mid-October. They will again be taught by Edgar Malone.

The tech grant with the state is in process of obtaining official signatures for disbursement of funds. We will need to make adjustments for some software updates that are needed, but do not anticipate that being an issue.

New Business:

Our Maintenance of Effort has been received and is awaiting signatures for the current fiscal year.

The library will be holding another sale of books, movies, and related miscellaneous items throughout the month of September. Material donations are currently being accepted.

Trick or treating will be available all week from Monday, October 27th- Friday, October 31st. We will be giving out goody cups of candy, bookmarks, and pencils. Coloring sheets will also be set out.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 4th at 4:45pm.

Regional Report:

Cindy Matthews presented the Stones River Regional Library report.

The Tennessee State Library and Archives has awarded nearly \$50,000 to Stones River Region libraries for technology. Our library is receiving \$1,700.

There will be a day-long Trustee Workshop at Art Circle Public Library (9:30a – 3:30p), and at least one board member is strongly encouraged to attend for future tech grant opportunities. Attendees will learn information helpful to their role as a board member and hear about the latest issues for today's public libraries.

Summer Reading Conference will be held on October 1st at Art Circle Public Library and on October 7th at TN State Library and Archives.

Summer Reading Symposium is scheduled for December 4th online from 11:00a – 4:30p EST.

Reminders: Public Library Survey opened September 1st and lasts through October 30th for responses. MOEs are due by October 31st. The Friends of TN Libraries annual meeting is October 4th at King Family Library. State funds have been released, and Becky at regional library may be contacted for assistance.

The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Jenesia Ellis and seconded by Kathy Robertson.