

DUBOIS COUNTY CONTRACTUAL PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
Thursday, April 9, 2026, at 4:00 PM
Jasper Public Library Meeting Room

Present: Steve Scott, Heidi Ehrhard, Ann Shappard, Pamela Catt, Anna Grant, Gaylene Laubscher Lisa Kincer, Kathy Eckerle, Nona Baker, Marc Steczyk, Director Christine Golden, Experience Manager Jordan Schuetter **Absent:** None

1. **Call to Order:** President Scott called the regular Dubois County Contractual Public Library meeting to order at 4:00 PM in the Jasper Public Library Meeting Room.
2. **Consent Agenda:**
 - a. **Minutes:** Minutes from the regular Dubois County Contractual Public Library meeting held on March 12, 2026 was given to the board for review.
 - b. **Financial Reports:** The Treasurer's Report covering March 1, 2026, through March 31, 2026, was provided to the Board for review.
 - c. **Claims:** Copies of the claims were provided to the Board for review and approval.
 - d. **Managers' Reports:** The Ferdinand, Birdseye, and Dubois Branch Managers' reports were included in the board packets for review.

On motion by Ehrhard, second by Eckerle, the Consent Agenda was approved. (10-0)

3. **Public Forum:** none

4. **New Business:**

- a. **Non-Resident Fee:** Golden shared that the 2025 Library Annual Report is complete. Based on 2025's expenditures per capita the 2026 Non-Resident Fee will need to be set at \$70.

On motion by Eckerle, second by Shappard, the Non-Resident fee was approved at \$70. (10-0)

5. **Library Updates, Director Golden:**

- a. **Board Member Update:** Golden reported that Abby Kennedy has decided to step down from the library board. Golden expects to have a new appointee from the Greater Jasper School Board before next meeting to complete the term.
 - b. **Audit:** The 2024-2025 Audit has been completed and posted by the State Board of Accounts. There were no findings in the audit. The Contractual Library should expect one more 2-year audit and then switch to a 4-year cycle as the construction bond will then be fully paid off.
 - c. **Landscaping Projects:** Golden shared that all three branches have had their spring cleanup and looking great for the upcoming months.

6. **Upcoming conferences/workshops/meetings:** Staff Development Day will be held on April 24 at Jasper. The libraries will be closed that day.

7. **Next Regular Meeting:** The next regular Dubois County Contractual Public Library meeting is scheduled to be held at the Jasper Public Library on Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 4:00 PM.

8. **Adjournment:** On a Motion by Laubscher, second by Ehrhard, the meeting adjourned. (10-0)

Signed this _____ 14th _____ day of _____ May _____, 2026

Steve Smith
Patricia Cate
Nora Baker
Amy Rasche
Kathy Eckert
Anna Grant

Heidi Ehrhard
Laubscher
Eric Kincer

ATTEST

Laubscher
Secretary