

Daniel Pierce Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
February 18, 2026

A meeting of the Trustees of the Daniel Pierce Library was called to order at 7:05 pm with President Mari Martin presiding. Other Trustees present were Cathy Coombe, Leanore Egan, Scott Allison, Pat Doogan, Kate Kelly, Laura Denman and Bill Richardson. Also present was Cathy Russo, Library Manager.

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the January meeting were reviewed and approved as presented.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence.

Financial Reports: C Russo presented the financial statements for January. The balance sheet figures were similar to the previous month. Income and expenses for operations were within their normal ranges for the month of January. Cash flow was positive.

It was moved by L Denman and seconded by L Egan to accept the financial statements for January 2026. Motion carried.

Director's Report: C Russo presented the Directors Report for January into February. She highlighted activities and programs sponsored by the library. The full report is attached.

Old Business: M Martin reported on the status of the library sign project. She and other committee members will meet with Deb Lemming (creator of the original sign) in Delhi in March to tour the area and see other signs she designed.

M Martin is working with Tara Burke, TVCS Agriculture teacher, to discuss the possibility of FFA members doing landscape and planting work for the library, as part of their Supervised Agricultural Experience Program.

New Business:

The board of Trustees voted in January to override the Tax Cap for 2027 if necessary. It was moved by P Doogan and seconded by K Kelly to approve the 2027 budget as presented by the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Committee Updates:

DPL Building Foundation: B Richardson reported that the annual meeting of the DPL Building Foundation was held February 9. The Buildings and Grounds Coordinator will give a quarterly update to the DPL Board of Trustees and a yearly update to the Foundation Board. He will meet with Buildings and Grounds committee and develop a long-range plan for building improvements.

Policy Committee: This committee will meet in March to review existing policies and recommend appropriate changes.

Landscape Committee: This committee will meet in April. Two TVCS Honor Society students have offered to volunteer time doing landscape work for their National Honor Society projects.

Personnel Committee: This committee will meet in the spring to review the Employee Handbook.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Coombe,
Recording Secretary