

Board of Trustees Meeting
February 24, 2026 - 7:15 PM

A closed executive session from 6:45pm.

1. Roll Call: *All here Alec Staley, Tom Melvin, Jess Masey, Quincy Carpenter, Aubrey Ludwig Ellman, Diane Hull, Libby Taylor, Maura Cullen, Jenn McNamara*
2. Call to order.
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes: January 27th, 2026 Motion Jenn, Quincy second.
4. Friends of the Library Report: Finalized \$72,000 donation to the library. Book and Bake sale May 8/9. Would like to promote the bookshop a little more. Alec created a Google business. Considering a collaboration with Dirt Farm Books to sell rare/valuable books.
5. Library Director's report:
 - a. January 2026 Numbers Report: Door counts are doing great. General circulation is still down a bit. Juvenile graphic novels continue to do very well and numbers improve. Two open positions (library associate and children's librarian.) Alec is interviewing for both positions. Anticipates filling the associate position this week. Children's programming will be filled in with special guests. Collaboration with Coop board and Swarthmorean recipe writer to do a "cook book walk" in Little Crum Creek Park.
6. Special Projects Report: Library Renovation
 - a. Updates (no updates on the LSA Grant)
 - b. Capital Campaign Committee
 - i. Updates- Discussion about creating a threshold timeline of what dollar amount will trigger the next phase of construction. (Finalize finishes, layout etc.... 4 month timeline to complete) \$72,000 is the cost of the next payment for the design phase of construction. Currently there is \$36,000 in the bank and an additional \$30,000 pledged. There is an additional \$60,000 surplus from last year's budget (partly from terminating our contract with the Capital Campaign consultant.) Discussion on the value of an up to date progress on the library's website. Beth asks Alec to keep this private for now, and keep an up to date report for internal use/knowledge. Beth motions to move the 2025 overage to the capital campaign and then move forward on the next phase of building with Keller. Tom seconds. All vote in favor. There are a few meetings set up with potential donors and the Centennial Foundation. Intention is for the Capital Campaign to be "quiet" until 50% of fundraising goal is met.
 - c. Committee Reports:
 - d. Finance Committee (Libby, Tom):
 - i. January financial summary—market is doing well
 - ii. Morgan Stanley Update— advised to keep capital campaign money in the PNC account. Still working on getting Libby on the Morgan Stanley account.
 - iii. 2025 overage
 - Recommendation: Add all to capital campaign account
 - If in alignment - Recommend establishing a policy to add all Library overages to the Capital Campaign until the goal of \$2MM is achieved...Libby motions that any overages are automatically put towards the capital campaign. Second Quincy. All in favor. Passed.
 - e. Fundraising/Development Committee (Maura/Jenn/Jess/Quincy/Tom):

- i. Casino Night 2026 updates
 - Beth thanked everyone. More than \$10,000 additional raised compared to 2025 event.
 - Feedback–Jenn will plan a meeting for the committee to debrief for next year.
 - f. Personnel and Policies Committee (Jenn/Jess/Libby/Quincy):
 - i. The committee was consulted for all staff changes. Met on 2/20 to discuss updates with Alec and support him in the changes. Quincy would like to join this committee.
 - g. Nominating Committee (Jess/Maura): all positions filled
 - i. One candidate submitted an application in November but it fell through the cracks. The committee will follow up.
 - ii. Conversation about publicizing the spot that will open in May. Swarthmorean? Question mark picture?
 7. Old business: Great feedback on going fine-free. How can we further publicize the Inquirer article?
 8. New business:
 - a. Next DCL Board meeting:
 - i. Thursday, April 16, 2026 - Jenn and Aubrey
 - In person or Zoom webinar – Delaware County Government Center County Council Room First Floor or Zoom o 2026: Apr 16, Jun 18, Aug 20, Oct 15, Dec 17
 - ii. Delco Gives is coming up. The Pac Center and the Rotary reached out to do a collaboration to increase community awareness. Alec and Jennifer are planning a paint and sip to kick off Delco Gives.
 9. Public comment: none
 10. Adjournment: Jess motioned, Libby second

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at 7:15pm