

PIKES PEAK LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JUNE 24, 2026 5 PM
VIRTUAL



VIRTUAL MEETING (ZOOM)

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The virtual meeting will open by 4:45 p.m.

The Board President will invite agenda-related public comment(s) before Business Items are discussed.

One hour of public comment for items not on today's agenda will occur before the end of the meeting.

One public comment per person.

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Vice President Erin Bents, Secretary/Treasurer Kenny Kuniyuki, Austin Jurgensmeyer, Scott Taylor, Angela Dougan
Absent: Aaron Salt

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Teona Shainidze-Krebs, Chief Communications & Marketing Officer Denise Abbott, Chief Compliance & Human Resources Officer Timothy Allen, Director of Programming Melody Alvarez, Chief Facilities & Security Officer Michael Brantner, System Administrator David Burling, Director of Strategy and Innovation Becca Cruz, Monument and Palmer Lake Libraries Manager Jean Doherty, High Prairie and Calhan Libraries Manager Mikaela Fortune, Senior Librarian Christa Funke, Ruth Holley Library Manager Shannon Heffner, Chief Financial Officer Kim Hoggatt, Assistant Director of Branches Gigi Holman, Friends of the Pikes Peak Library District Board of Directors President Rita Jordan, Senior Director of Public Services Janina Karoub, Senior Librarian Jason Kowell, Director of IT Cameron Landreth, Chief Operating Officer Heather Laslie, Manitou Springs and Ute Pass Libraries Manager Taryn Malila, Fountain Library Manager Tim Morris, Controller Shannan Pfoh, Deputy CEO Tammy Sayles, East Library Manager Sara Sharples, Chief IT Officer Daniel Stone, Public Services Administrative Specialist Nicole Taylor, Senior Director of Development and Foundation Executive Director Courtney VanCleave, Internal Communications and Special Projects Manager Jeremiah Walter, City Councilmember Ken Casey, City Councilmember Nancy Henjum, County Commissioner Lauren Nelson, Forvis Mazars Managing Director Steve Sauer

CALL TO ORDER

Kenny Kuniyuki called the June 24, 2026, regular meeting of the Pikes Peak Library District Board of Trustees to order at 5 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ITEMS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA

There were no items too late for the agenda.

REPORTS

Trustee comments

Kenny Kuniyuki recognized a library leader in his Trustee comments. In observance of Pride Month, he recognized librarian and educator Emily Drabinski.

Friends of the Pikes Peak Library District Report

Rita Jordan reported that the annual Literary Awards Luncheon on June 6 was a great success with 187 attendees. The event raised about \$5,000. They are now preparing for their fall book sale.

Pikes Peak Library District Foundation Report

Courtney VanCleave reported that the Night at the Library Event raised \$43,698. The Foundation is already working on their next event, a pickleball event on Sept. 12. It will be held at Springs Pickleball – East due to its proximity to the Pony Tracks property.

Financial Report May 2026

Kim Hoggatt highlighted some aspects of the financial report submitted in the Board packet. As of the end of May, the Library District collected 67% of our property tax revenue for the year. We still expect another \$13 million to come in. PPLD's top three expenses remain employee salaries and benefits, telecommunications, and collection management materials. There was an increase in the annual budget for Capital Fund Expenditures due to a budget resolution passed in February and the Library 21c skylight resolution passed in May.

Public Services Report

Tammy Sayles drew attention to some highlights from May, which she notes was a busy month. Adult Education hosted graduation and naturalization ceremonies. The summer lunch program, a partnership with D-11, kicked off. Mobile Library Services hosted the Rocky Mountain Outreach Interest Group. The Library took part in Free Comic Day, distributing around 1,500 comic books.

Support Services Reports: Communications; Facilities & Security; Human Resources; Information Technology, Strategy & Innovation

The Support Services reports were included in the Board packet. Kenny Kuniyuki noted how busy the Communications department was in May. There were no questions

CEO Report

Teona Shainidze-Krebs reported that the three town halls were successful and that we received good feedback from community members. She noted that although most people think of Communications' work with marketing, they are also involved in outreach and getting people signed up for library cards and aware of our resources. Teona asked Chief Communications and Marketing Officer Denise Abbott to share some of her department's work in May and June. The Communication department's outreach team was at 15 outreaches in May with a total attendance of 24,000. There were 133 library cards issued at those events. Events included Paw Patrol Live at the Pikes Peak Center, NAMI Walk for mental health awareness, the Japan-American Society of Southern Colorado Children's Day Festival, the Asian American Pacific Islander Festival, Hispanic Chamber of Congress Quarterly Luncheon. In June, PPLD was at the Pride Festival and Juneteenth Prayer Breakfast.

BUSINESS ITEMS

Consent Items

Minutes of May 20, 2026, Board of Trustees meeting and the Secretary/Treasurer appointment of Kenny Kuniyuki
Consent items were accepted as presented.

New Business

DECISION 26-6-1: Audited portion of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report

Forvis Mazars Managing Director Steve Sauer presented on the audit of PPLD's fiscal year that ended December 31, 2025.

Motion: Scott Taylor moved to approve the audited financial statements and authorize the issuance of the Pikes Peak Library District Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2025 as presented.

Second: Angela Dougan seconded the motion.

Vote: The motion was approved unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT NOT RELATED TO TODAY'S AGENDA

Jean Schaefer, Monica Postma, expressed disappointment about PPLD's neutral stance on national initiative displays, in particular the lack of Pride Month displays in June 2026.

Jade Kelly, Muka Traenkle, and Julie Haverluk made comments regarding a display in the teen area at Cheyenne Mountain Library.

Karla Powers noted the lack of dialogue during public comment periods and expressed frustration at how long it has taken to get a library back in the northwest area of Colorado Springs.

Veronica Baker said she is excited about recent PPLD developments like upcoming hybrid libraries, the Pony Tracks location, and committing funding for a library in northwest area, but noted nervousness that a library location might not ever come to the northwest area of town.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Secretary/Treasurer Kenny Kuniyuki adjourned the regular meeting of the Pikes Peak Library District Board of Trustees at 6:01 p.m.