

the Virginia Young Room of the Columbia Public Library except during one month in the spring and one in the fall when they are held in the Friends Room of the Callaway County Public Library. The district boards meet as needed to discuss business or issues related specifically to their library districts and the districts' services and/or facilities - typically about three times per year.

Committee Work

In addition to the monthly DBRL board meetings and the periodic district board meetings, all library board members serve on two or three committees. The DBRL Board has six standing committees that perform the detailed work of the board and make recommendations to the full DBRL Board. These committees are:

- Contract & Bylaws
- Finance
- Nominating
- Evaluation
- Long Range Planning
- Risk Management

Committees meet as needed and at least one time per year. The work of each committee fluctuates depending on the time of year or current business being conducted by the library and/or the board (the director's annual evaluation, strategic plan implementation, or the audit of the library's financial statements, for example).

Time Commitment

Board members can expect to attend one to three meetings per month (includes regular monthly meetings of the DBRL Board and other committee/district board meetings). The majority of these meetings are held at the headquarters of the DBRL, the Columbia Public Library in Columbia, MO.

More Information

For more information about the library board, please contact Melissa Carr, Director, at 573-443-3161. You may also visit <http://www.dbrl.org/board> to learn more about the library's service area and to view the board's contract, bylaws, past meeting minutes, meeting dates for the current year and more.

Background Information

for Potential Members of the Daniel Boone Regional Library Board of Trustees



Daniel Boone Regional Library

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About the Library

Established in 1959, the Daniel Boone Regional Library (DBRL) serves three library districts: Boone County, Callaway County and the City of Columbia. The Columbia Public Library is the largest library and serves as the regional headquarters. DBRL also operates the Callaway County Public Library in Fulton and the Southern Boone County Public Library in Ashland.

Housed in Columbia, the Outreach Department operates two bookmobiles and serves numerous community organizations, retirement homes, child care centers, etc. The large bookmobile makes regular stops in eight Boone and Callaway County communities, and the smaller youth outreach bookmobile visits community centers around Columbia.

Governance

DBRL is governed by the DBRL Board of Trustees, which consists of 19 volunteers. As outlined in state statute, city library districts have nine members appointed by the mayor; trustees can serve up to three, three-year terms. County library district boards have five members appointed by their respective commissioners and serve four-year terms with no limit. A contract binds our three member library districts into a regional library system.

The DBRL Board makes all library policy and budget decisions. DBRL's fiscal year runs January-December. We are funded primarily through property tax income. State aid, interest income, grants, bequests and donations, and copier/printer income make up the rest of the system's revenue.

The regional director oversees the day-to-day library operations and the staff. Melissa Carr has served as the regional director since 1996 and has worked for DBRL since 1972.

Find more information about the library at www.dbrl.org.

Vision, Mission and Values of DBRL

Vision: DBRL's vision is to encourage reading and lifelong learning. Everyone in our diverse communities will have open access to library services that expand minds, empower individuals and enrich lives.

Mission: DBRL connects our communities to the world of information and ideas.

Values:

- Service Excellence
- Free and Equal Access to Library Services
- Integrity and Trust

About the DBRL Board

Main Duties

The Boone County, Callaway County and Columbia Library Districts are part of the Daniel Boone Regional Library System. As such, each member of these district boards automatically serves as a member of the DBRL Board of Trustees as well.

The DBRL Board of Trustees is responsible for:

- Determining the library's mission and purpose.
- Selecting and employing the library director.
- Setting library system policies.
- Supporting and evaluating the library director.
- Serving as a public figure for the library.
- Managing resources effectively, including approving the annual budget.
- Ensuring effective planning.
- Ensuring adequate financial resources.

Meetings

The DBRL Board meets on the second Thursday after the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. These meetings are held in