

**Putnam County Library
Board of Trustees Minutes
Special Called Meeting
June 22, 2026**

Board of Trustees members in attendance: Vice Chair Bryan Payne, Drew Binkley, Diane Duncan, Daniel Rader IV

Putnam County Library staff in attendance: Kathryn Wisinger, Brian Page, Shirlene Stotts, Spencer Traut

- I. Call to Order: Board Vice Chair Bryan Payne presided in the absence of the Board Chair. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m.
- II. Approval of Agenda: Diane Duncan moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Drew Binkley and approved unanimously.
- III. Public Comment: Before opening public comment, Vice Chair Bryan Payne reminded those assembled that when recognized they were to announce their name and that each would have 3 minutes to speak with public comment not to exceed thirty minutes. The following individuals were recognized: Ann Austin, Clarissa Williams, Peggy Sims, Jamie Linder, Laura Hall, ? Stuart, Helen Reddy, Monica Cason, David Funk, unknown female speaker/did not announce name, Beth Anderson, Mark Mitchell, June Sutter, Jackie Dillon, Grayson Cupit, Loren Michelle, Brian Haddock, Ann Myer, Catherine Ferrell, Herbert Williams, Shaun Berry, Kristin Mattson, Taylor Taylor, and Nina Lunn
- IV. Board Nomination Policy: Danny Rader requested this item be added to the agenda in order to request feedback from the public regarding this policy which will be considered at the July Board of Trustees meeting. Mr. Rader read the general qualifications for Board of Trustees members aloud to the assembled audience. Bryan Payne clarified how input will be received from the public. It was determined that the public may send an email to the designated Board of Trustees email address which is available on the library website. Discussion followed. It was determined that the process to apply needs to be clarified. No action was taken on this policy.
- V. Nomination for Open Board Seat: Danny Rader announced that Craig Fickling had submitted a letter to County Executive Randy Porter requesting that his name be removed from consideration for the Board position. The Board determined that the previous nomination for Ms. Gerri Reese be maintained and that a nomination for the now open seat would come from those applications previously considered at the June 2, 2026 Special Called Meeting. Danny Rader moved to follow the same procedure for selection and nomination as used at the June 2, 2026 meeting, seconded by Diane Duncan and approved unanimously. The floor opened for nominations.
Diane Duncan nominated Dr. Gail Myers.
Danny Rader nominated Dr. Gail Myers and Maryleigh Bucher.
Drew Binkley nominated Dr. Gail Myers.
Bryan Payne nominated Dr. Gail Myers.
Discussion ensued. At the conclusion of discussion, a roll call vote was conducted with 4 votes being required for nomination.
Dr. Gail Myers received 3 votes. Maryleigh Bucher received 1 vote.
The required 4 votes for nomination being received by neither candidate, a second roll call vote was conducted.
Dr. Gail Myers received 4 votes.
Diane Duncan moved to recommend Dr. Gail Myers to the County Commission for the vacant Board of Trustee position, seconded by Drew Binkley and approved unanimously.
- VI. Adjournment: Diane Duncan moved to adjourn, seconded by Drew Binkley. The meeting adjourned at 4:19 p.m.