

August 18, 2026
New Iberia, LA 70560

The Iberia Parish Library Board of Control met in a rescheduled meeting at 3:30 PM on Tuesday, August 18, 2026, at the Main Library in New Iberia, LA.

The board President called the meeting to order at 3:31 PM.

The library director called Roll. Board members present were President, Katherine Courts, Vice-President, Sandra Eglund, Betty Adams, and Angela Alexander. Jace Dugas and Catherine Withrow were absent.

Katherine Courts motioned to waive the reading of the minutes from the June 9th meeting. Sandra Eglund seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The director informed the board that building repair projects for the Main, St. Peter, Parkview, Jeanerette, and Lydia branches were slated to begin on August 31st. The projects include several roof replacements and door replacements/enhancements to automatic, with the most extensive building repairs occurring at the Main Branch, including asbestos abatement and second-floor renovation. Projects are anticipated to be completed in late Fall. While the Main building projects are in progress, the St. Peter Branch will be used for programming and meeting room purposes. Katherine Courts moved to temporarily close the Main Branch, for safety purposes, beginning on August 23rd until its projects are completed. Angela Alexander seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The library director presented the following adjustments to the 2026 budget:

Main Branch

Add \$1,250 to 544200 Rental-Equipment/Vehicles

Subtract \$1,250 from 558000 Travel and Training

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Subtract \$1,250 from 561500 Library Supplies

Add \$2,800 to 551000 Maintenance Contracts

Subtract \$2,800 from 564000 Books

Add \$1,750 to 564500 Electronic Resources

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Add \$3,500 to 564500 Electronic Resources

Subtract \$3,500 from 564800 Library Programming

Lydia Branch

Add \$150 to 562000 Utilities

Subtract \$150 from 561000 Supplies and Postage

Add \$150 to 562000 Utilities
Subtract \$150 from 561500 Library Supplies

Add \$1,000 to 562000 Utilities
Subtract \$1,000 from 564000 Books

Add \$700 to 562000 Utilities
Subtract \$700 from 564400 VCR Tapes/DVDs

Jeanerette Branch

Add \$100 to 544200 Rental-Equipment/Vehicles
Subtract \$100 from 561000 Supplies and Postage

Add \$100 to 544200 Rental-Equipment/Vehicles
Subtract \$100 from 561500 Library Supplies

Loreauville Branch

Add \$200 to 544200 Rental-Equipment/Vehicles
Subtract \$200 from 561000 Supplies and Postage

Add \$100 to 562000 Utilities
Subtract \$100 from 561000 Supplies and Postage

Add \$300 to 562000 Utilities
Subtract \$300 561500 Library Supplies

Add \$1,200 to 562000 Utilities
Subtract \$1,200 from 564000 Books

Add \$300 to 562000 Utilities
Subtract \$300 from 564200 Recordings

Add \$700 to 562000 Utilities
Subtract \$700 from 564400 VCR Tapes/DVDS

Add \$700 to 562000 Utilities
Subtract \$700 from 574100 Equipment and Furniture

St. Peter Branch

Add \$500 to 543100 Repair and Maintenance
Subtract \$500 from 564000 Books

Sandra Egland moved to accept the budget adjustments as presented. Betty Adams seconded the motion.
The motion passed unanimously.

After discussion of the 2027 budget, Katherine Courts motioned to accept the budget with an increase of \$45,000 to Main Branch's Rental-Equipment/Vehicles, for purchasing a truck for library-related traveling and transporting. Angela Alexander seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Sandra Eglund moved to adopt a proposed Resolution for Anne Stevens for years of service to the Library Board of Control. Betty Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Angela Alexander moved to allow a bench from the Fortnightly Club to be placed outside the Main branch. Sandra Eglund seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Betty Adams moved that the board review the Patron Behavior Policy to see how it could be condensed, and to review it again with changes at a later date. Sandra Eglund seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

There being no other business, Katherine Courts moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 PM. Betty Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The next meeting was set for October 13, 2026, at 3:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Marjorie Hills
Library Director