
ARAPAHOE LIBRARY DISTRICT

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 17, 2026

The Space and Café by Arapahoe Libraries
12855 E Adam Aircraft Cir
Englewood, CO

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Shaw, Theresa Mehringer (virtual), Steve Oliver, Liz Nichols, Katie Schroeder, Sally Daigle, Sarah Grazier

MEMBERS ABSENT:

PUBLIC: None

OTHERS ATTENDING: Beth Dauer, Attorney

STAFF PRESENT: Oli Sanidas, Executive Director; Marie Greene, Executive Assistant; Jennifer Mahin, Finance, Facilities and Safety Director; Linda Speas, Director of Library Operations; Caroline Heinselman, Director of People Services; Anthony White, Director of Innovation and Technology; Kim Collie, Director of the Project Management Office; Jessica Sidener, Director of Marketing Strategy and Community Relations; Lindsay Heinzerling, Associate Director of Library Operations; Mollie Lancaster, Collection Librarian

Katie Schroeder opened the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Katie opened the meeting to public comment by reading the Guidelines for Public Introductions and Comment:

Thank you for attending this meeting of the Arapahoe Library District Board of Trustees. We appreciate your interest. It is the policy of the Board to invite audience participation during the public comment portion of the agenda set aside for this purpose.

1. If you wish to speak, please sign your name and address on the sign-in sheet.
2. You may take up to five minutes to make your comments. (This time constraint may be modified by the Board President to be less than five minutes if there are a number of persons wishing to speak.)

3. We will take up to 10 minutes for public comment at the beginning of the meeting. If there are more comments, we will provide additional time at the end of the meeting for an additional 30 minutes.
4. The Trustees will not be able to engage in dialogue with you, but they will make sure that you are contacted at a later time to answer any questions you may have.
5. If you have not already been introduced to the Board, please state your name and address before you begin.
6. We thank you for coming to this meeting and for your interest in the Arapahoe Library District.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES Nos. 869 and 870: Liz Nichols moved to approve the minutes from the January 20, 2026 regular meeting of the board and the February 3, 2026 special meeting of the board. Sally Daigle seconded and the motion passed.

FINANCIALS: Jennifer Mahin reviewed the financials with the trustees.

Bill Shaw moved to accept the Financials as presented. Liz Nichols seconded, and the motion passed. Approval of the Financials means:

- Acceptance of the Statement of Revenue and Expense
- Acceptance of the Balance Sheet

APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS WITH SHERIDAN SCHOOL DISTRICT: Anthony White, Director of Innovation and Technology, reviewed the following contracts with the board:

- A. ALD-Sheridan School Resource Sharing MOU
- B. ALD-Sheridan Student Data Privacy Contract Addendum

These contracts allow Sheridan School District to enroll in a similar program that Littleton Public Schools has with ALD, which gives library cards to all the students in the school district.

Katie Schroeder moved to accept the contracts as presented. Liz Nichols seconded, and the motion passed.

BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT: Katie Schroeder reported that the interview committee conducted interviews for the board position that will open when Steve Oliver resigns. The Committee chose Brittany Joyce, who accepted the position, and Katie shared the rationale with the board.

Steve Oliver made a motion to recommend Brittany Joyce as the new ALD board member to the BOCC and Deer Trail School District. Liz Nichols seconded and the motion passed.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT: Oli Sanidas gave an update on the initial usage of the newly opened building, The Space and Café. He mentioned that he attended a meeting with a partnership organization at The Space and all of the feedback he has received on the building so far has been good. Jessica Sidener, Director of Marketing Strategy and Community Relations, gave some more detailed numbers and noted that all of the usage is based on a “soft opening” and the staff are working through any glitches that arise. Theresa Mehringer mentioned she visited The Space a couple of weeks ago and remarked that the coffee is excellent.

Oli also reported that the Strategic Measures Report is still being refined with target measures and he realized that the targets need to be discussed further and considered in depth before they are finalized, which is why the report has not been included in his Executive Director report this month. Bill Shaw asked if there is a way to track data on the usage of ALD materials by patrons who do not live within the district. Bill noted his interest is to identify potential impacts to tax paying patrons by patrons who do not live within the district. Oli responded that the data is trackable, and if it is decided to analyze that data, ALD leadership needs to ask the question *what problem are we trying to solve?* He added that it would need to be considered whether those impacts align with ALD’s values. There was discussion about how some out-of-district patrons may be using ALD because they work nearby or move through the district regularly or work at a business that does contribute to tax revenue in the district.

Lastly, Oli reported that he was invited to participate in the interview process for the final two candidates for the State Librarian opening.

LEGAL STATUS REPORT: Attorney Beth Dauer gave an update on the Crookshanks v. Elizabeth School District case.

DATA REPORT: Linda Speas, Director of Library Operations, highlighted the results from the Net Promoter Score survey. ALD’s current score is eleven points higher than the NPS scores received in 2015 and 2016. The survey focused on trying to identify what ALD’s patrons really care about. ALD intends to do a more in-depth patron survey later in 2026.

OTHER BUSINESS: Sally Daigle reported that Soccer City is looking at building next door to the Sheridan Library branch and there may be some opportunities for a partnership with ALD.

As the new mayor of Sheridan, she intends to try to get all of the organizations in Sheridan that duplicate or offer similar services to work together.

Liz Nichols moved to adjourn, Bill Shaw seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.

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Date Approved



[Liz Nichols \(Mar 18, 2026 14:27:08 MDT\)](#)

Liz Nichols, Secretary