

Minutes

Red River Parish Library Board of Control

March 9th 2026

The Red River Parish Library Board of Control met at 10:00am Monday March 9th, 2026 at the Red River Parish Library meeting room.

Members in attendance were Elizabeth Lester, Ann Shaw, Barbara Brister, Judy Covington, Bob Harris, Alvester Barfield, Virginia Webb and Trey Lewis. Member absent was Tray Murray, Ex Officio Member.

Call to order was given at 10:01 by Barbara Brister. Minutes were approved as read and bills for November-February approved by a motion from Ann Shaw and a second from Bob Harris.

First order of business was to welcome our newest board member, Dr Virginia Webb who replaced Laurie Jones who stepped down from the board at the first of the year.

Mr. Lawrence Coco was on hand to show his architectural drawings for the floor plan and parking area of the new Red River Parish Historical Center Expansion.

Alison strong was on the agenda to speak to the board. She brought with her several members of the community including the Riverdale Academy principal. Also on hand were two members of the Red River Police Jury and District Attorney, Julie Jones. Mrs. Strong presented some ideas for the library to consider funding to complement the school system.

It was decided upon a motion from Bob Harris and a second from Alvester Barfield that the Library Board form a committee to discuss these ideas for future consideration.

April 28th the library will host an Advanced AI (artificial intelligence) workshop for the public. The workshop will be conducted by Tobin DeVille and will be split into a morning and afternoon session.

There being no more business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 upon a motion from Bob Harris and a second from Barbara Brister.

Respectfully submitted

Elizabeth Lester, President

Trey Lewis, Secretary to the Board

