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Board Name: Boone County Public Library District Board of Trustees

Authority: The Boone County Public Library District is a special purpose district and a tax-supported institution established in accordance with KRS 173.470. Legal responsibility for the operation of the Boone County Public Library District is vested in the Boone County Public Library District Board of Trustees, a body corporate, in accordance with KRS 173.520.

Requirements: Members must reside within Boone County and be committed to the provision of library services within the county.

Prohibitions: No person is eligible to this office who is directly or indirectly interested in the sale to the library of books, magazines, supplies, equipment, materials, insurance, or services for which library funds are expended. [KRS 173.510]

Term length: Members serve a term of four years unless removed from office as provided by KRS 65.007. Except for filling unexpired terms, trustees may serve for two consecutive terms, after which they may not succeed themselves for at least one year. [KRS 173.490]

Description: The Board is made up of five volunteer trustees selected to represent a demographic and geographic cross section of the county population.

Function: "To establish, equip and maintain libraries and do all things necessary to provide efficient library service". The duties of the board are to:

1. Employ a competent and qualified library director.
2. Determine and adopt written policies to govern the operation and program of the library.
3. Approve the budget and ensure that adequate funds are provided to finance the approved budget.
4. Have exclusive control of the expenditure of all moneys collected, donated or appropriated for the library fund.
5. Understand the programs and services of the library in relation to community needs; be informed about public library standards and trends.
6. Be informed about local and state laws pertaining to libraries; actively support library legislation that will improve library programs and services.
7. Cooperate with other public officials and boards and maintain vital public relations.
8. Attend regional and state trustee meetings and workshops; affiliate with appropriate professional organizations. [KLA, KLTR]

Chair: The President is elected biennially by the members of the board.

Compensation: None

Meetings: Third Tuesday of each month at 5pm. Meetings are held at least once each year at each library branch. All other meetings are held at the Main Library. All Board meetings and all committee meetings are held in compliance with Kentucky's Open Meetings Act (KRS 61.805-61.850).

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