

2021 Ballot
Northeast Kansas Library System Executive Board

Atchison County Representative (*Choose one*)

- Kathleen Flanagan
- Other _____

Johnson County Representative (*Choose one*)

- Robert (Bob) Miller
- Other _____

Shawnee County Representative (*Choose one*)

- Carolyn Little
- Other _____

At Large (Acad.) Representative (*Choose one*)

- Lars Leon
- Other _____

At Large (Schools) Representative (*Choose one*)

- Lori Franklin
- Other _____

At Large Representative (*Choose one*)

- Rachael Hissong
- Pattie Poe
- Other _____

Signature

Printed Name

Nominee Information

Kathleen Flanagan has worked as a school librarian in the Kansas City Kansas Public Schools and also as the Youth Services Coordinator for the West Wyandotte Branch of KCKPL. Currently, Kathleen is a reference librarian at Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas.

Robert (Bob) Miller currently is the Library System Officer for the Olathe Public Library and also manages the Indian Creek Library. He has a Masters of Library and Information Science from Emporia State University and a Masters of Music from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln. He has been with the Olathe Public Library for the past six years, following nine years of library management for the Mid-Continent Public Library System.

Carolyn Little graduated from Fort Hays State, she taught high school social science before becoming a librarian. She worked in school libraries as well as serving as director of Phillipsburg City Library. Carolyn worked for NEKLS as courier coordinator for ten years. She is currently a board member of the Friends of Kansas Libraries and a volunteer at Topeka and Shawnee County Public, working with online sales. Carolyn and her husband Rob have retired and live in Topeka near their three daughters and their families.

Lars Leon is currently Resource Sharing Librarian and helps with organizational and staff development at the University of Kansas Libraries. As a lifelong Kansan, he has enjoyed his work in interlibrary loan that has kept him in touch with libraries all across Kansas. He enjoys working with variety of assessments, both numbers and words, technology, staff development, and other areas that help him keep in touch with what is going on in different types and sizes of libraries.

Lori Franklin Hello! My name is Lori Franklin and I am beginning my 26th year in Education. I've worked as a public librarian, school librarian, and am currently the library media coordinator for Olathe Public Schools, overseeing 50+ school libraries, librarians, and a textbook department. I love reading books of all types and enjoy working with community members!

Rachael Hissong is a public library director who holds a Master of Library Science degree with a concentration in leadership and administration from Emporia State University. Rachael has experience as the director of two separate NEKLS member public libraries and as a library media specialist with Lawrence Public Schools. She is passionate about the positive impact libraries have on communities and eager to give back by serving on the executive board as someone who has benefited immensely from NEKLS training opportunities and overall support for libraries.

Patti Poe grew up in SE KS, where she got her first library card at Independence Public Library at age 5. She's lived (mostly) in Lawrence for the past 52 years. She attended KU (BSEd) and ESU (MLS), and spent 25 years as a librarian. Patti has library cards from multiple NEKLS libraries, and volunteers with the Lawrence Library Friends group. She is a lifelong quilter and piano player.