Jonathan S. Cullick, an English professor at Northern Kentucky University, is the newest member of the Campbell County Public Library's Board of Trustees. He was sworn in by Fiscal Court Judge/Executive Steve Pendery on Thursday, Nov. 7. Dr. Cullick was selected to fill the unexpired term of Carla Landon, who resigned in July. The term will expire Sept. 30, 2021.

"Jon has a wealth of administration experience and a passion for promoting reading and literacy," said CCPL Director JC Morgan. "We know he will be a tireless leader and advocate for the library."

One of the first things Dr. Cullick and his wife, Cheryl, did when they moved to Bellevue in 2002 was find the nearest library – the CCPL Newport branch, in this case – and get their library cards. Over the past 17 years, they have participated in many library programs and even have a little library in their front yard.

Dr. Cullick, who chaired the NKU English department from 2009-2013, was named College Teacher of the Year by the Kentucky Council of Teachers in 2019. He utilized the Newport and Carrico/Fort Thomas study rooms to complete his most recent scholarly work, Mockingbird Grows Up: Re-Reading Harper Lee Since Watchman with colleague Cheli Reutter, to be published in January 2020.

By law, the board must maintain a balanced geographical representation of all areas of the county. In keeping with that law, candidates from the Newport, Bellevue and Dayton area were considered.
The current board also includes: Cathy Howard, president; Tracy Smith, vice president; Paul Johnson, treasurer; and Christie Fillhardt, secretary. The board meets at 5:30 pm on the third Wednesday each month. All board meetings are open to the public with no need to register. Upcoming meetings are: Dec. 18, at Newport; and Jan. 15, at Carrico/Fort Thomas.

PHOTO: Jonathan S. Cullick, left, is congratulated by Fiscal Court Judge/Executive Steve Pendery after being sworn in as the newest member of Campbell County Public Library’s Board of Trustees on Thursday, Nov. 7, at Mr. Pendery’s office in Newport.

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There is an Express location for pick-ups and returns in Silver Grove and Melbourne.

Hours for Cold Spring, Carrico/Fort Thomas and Newport branches are 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday; and 1-5 p.m. Sunday. Hours for Alexandria are 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday-Friday; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday; and closed Sunday and Monday. The website address is www.cc-pl.org.