

**Bastrop Public Library Board Minutes**  
**Bastrop Public Library Pressley Meeting Room**  
 1100 Church Street  
 Bastrop, TX 78602  
 (512) 332-8880



**May 05, 2025**

**Minutes - Public Library Board at 6:00 p.m.**

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**Library Board Members Present**

Chair Rebecca Bennett  
 Vice Chair Meagan Webb  
 Secretary Sally Keinarth  
 Board Member Rachelle Caviness  
 Board Member Lisa Gossett  
 Board Member Jennifer Leisure

**Guests, Liaisons, and Staff Present**

Library Director Bonnie Pierson

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by Board Chair Rebecca Bennett at 6:02 p.m.

**2. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

**3. MINUTE APPROVAL**

- 3A.** Consider action to approve Bastrop Public Library minutes from April 7, 2025, regular meeting.

Lisa Gossett moved to approve the minutes; Jennifer Leisure seconded the motion.  
 Minutes were approved.

**4. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 4A.** Youth programs at the library will take a one-week hiatus from Monday, May 19th through Saturday, May 24th as the library finalizes preparation for the 2025 Summer Reading Program.

- 4B. The library will be closed Monday, May 26th for Memorial Day.
- 4C. The 2025 Summer Reading Program starts on Tuesday, May 27th and concludes on Saturday, July 26th.
- 4D. The library will be opening at 10:00 a.m. Mondays through Saturdays during the summer months of June, July, and August. These hours will take effect Monday, June 1st and conclude Saturday, August 30th.
- 4E. Announcements from the Library Director.
- 4F. Announcements from individual board members.
- 4G. Announcements from Planning & Zoning liaison.

## 5. REPORTS

- 5A. Director's report.

Director Bonnie Pierson reported on several programs conducted by library staff including a Storytime Egg Hunt at Bob Bryant Park, library tours for Bluebonnet Elementary 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classes, a Dia de los Ninos celebration highlighting bilingual literacy, and a library informational booth in the Bastrop 1832 Farmers Market.

Photo ID cards are close to being available to patrons, hopefully by summer. TSLAC funding, affected by cuts by the federal government, will impact our library. The number of databases available will decrease beginning in June and ILL reimbursements will be for a lesser amount. More effects may be forthcoming.

- 5B. Statistics report.

Statistics are positive, particularly the total number of renewals increasing from YTD 24 (793) to YTD 25 (932).

- 5C. Financial report.

- 5D. Fiscal Year 2025 Goals Quarterly report.

All six areas of focus for the Library Goals reflect an active, growing library. Growth planning is critical and includes work on a Facility Use survey, a Burden of Growth Spreadsheet, tracking Spanish transactions, and planning facility enhancements with the Public Works Director.

- 5E. Proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Budget report.

Library Director Bonnie Pierson submitted the Fiscal Year 2026 budget request to the City Council for a total of \$163,305.00.

## 6. PRESENTATIONS

## 7. WORKSHOP

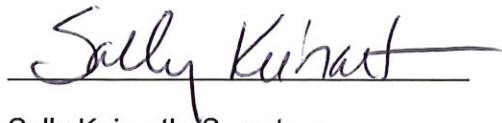
## 8. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

8A. Individual requests from Library Board members for items to be listed on future agendas.

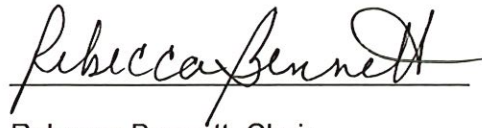
**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sally Keinarth, Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Rebecca Bennett", written over a horizontal line.

Rebecca Bennett, Chair