Bastrop Public Library Board Minutes

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



February 03, 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
Board Member Nancy Wood

Guests, Liaisons, and Staff Present

Library Director Bonnie Pierson Planning & Zoning Commission Liaison Pete Parsons City Council Member Cheryl Lee

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

3. MINUTE APPROVAL

3A. Consider action to approve Bastrop Public Library minutes from January 6, 2025, regular meeting.

Jennifer Leisure moved to approve the January 6, 2025 minutes with corrected spelling of member names. Lisa Gossett seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 4A. The Friends of the Library will be hosting local author Angela Castillo at the Bastrop Public Library on Friday, February 7th at 5:00 p.m.
- 4B. The library will be closed Monday, March 3rd in observance of Texas Independence Day. As such, the library board's next meeting will take place on Monday, March 10th at 6:00 p.m.
- 4C. Announcements from the Library Director.

The AARP will offer tax assistance on select Saturdays in February, March, and April.

- 4D. Announcements from individual board members.
- 4E. Announcements from Planning & Zoning liaison.

After reviewing B3 building codes, Planning & Zoning will move on to a city comprehensive plan for growth.

REPORTS

5A. Director's report.

Director Bonnie Pierson highlighted successful library programs held and to be held in January and February: "Sit with Silvia" during Coffee & Friends, staff outreach at Red Rock Elementary, Bastrop County Audubon Society and Bird City Bastrop birdwatching classes, Musical Petting Zoo during Bastrop's Mardi Gras celebration, ESL classes led by library volunteer Miram Mustelier.

- 5B. Statistics report.
- 5C. Financial report.
- 5D. Fiscal Year 2025 Goals Quarterly Review report.

Director Bonnie Pierson detailed specific programming planned to meet each of the six focus areas for the library: Community Engagement, History & Culture, Lifelong Learning, Books & Reading, Culture of Service, and Administrative.

6. PRESENTATIONS

7. WORKSHOP

7A. Strategic Plan workshop.

Vice Chair Meagan Webb outlined the process the board will use to assist in developing the five-year Strategic Plan for the years 2026-2031.

8. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

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

There were no individual requests for future agenda items.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Keinarth, Secretary

Rebecca Bennett, Chair