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

April 07, 2025
Agenda - Public Library Board at 6:00 PM

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1.   **CALL TO ORDER**

2.   **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

At this time, three (3) minute comments will be taken from the audience on any topic. Anyone in attendance wishing to address the Board/Commission must complete a citizen comment form and give the completed form to the Board/Commission Secretary prior to the start of the Board/Commission meeting. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, if a citizen discusses any item not on the agenda, the Board/Commission cannot discuss issues raised or make any decision at this time. Instead, the Board/Commission is limited to making a statement of specific factual information or a recitation of existing policy in response to the inquiry. Issues may be referred to City Manager for research and possible future action.

It is not the intention of the City of Bastrop to provide a public forum for the embarrassment or demeaning of any individual or group. Neither is it the intention of the Board/Commission to allow a member of the public to slur the performance, honesty and/or integrity of the Board/Commission, as a body, or any member or members of the Board/Commission individually or collectively, or members of the City's staff. Accordingly, profane, insulting or threatening language directed toward the Board/Commission and/or any person in the Board/Commission's presence will not be tolerated.

3.   **MINUTE APPROVAL**

3A.   Consider action to approve Bastrop Public Library minutes from March 10, 2025, regular meeting.

4.   **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

4A.   The library will be closed on Friday, April 18th and Saturday, April 19th in observance of Good Friday and Easter.

4B.   The library will be celebrating Dia de los Niños on Tuesday, April 29th. Spanish children's books will be given out to the public.

4C.   The Friends of the Library 2025 annual book sale will take place Friday, May 2nd from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, May 3rd from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Early entry for members of the Friends of the Library will be Thursday, May 1st from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. The Lost Pines Garden Club will be partnering with the Friends of the Library and hosting a plant sale in tandem with the book sale on Saturday, May 3rd.

4D.   Announcements from the Library Director.

4E.   Announcements from individual board members.

4F.   Announcements from Planning & Zoning liaison.

5.   REPORTS

5A.   Director's report.

5B.   Statistics report.

5C.   Financial report.

5D.   Summer Reading Program 2025 Preview report.

6.   PRESENTATIONS

6A.   Database presentation, presented by Public Services Librarian Bethany Williams.

7.   WORKSHOP

7A.   Strategic Plan Workshop: Vision and Mission

8.   ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

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

9.   ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting as posted in accordance with the regulations of the Texas Open Meetings Act on the bulletin board located at the entrance to the City of Bastrop City Hall, a place of convenient and readily accessible to the general public, as well as to the City's website, www.cityofbastrop.org and said Notice was posted on the following date and time: Wednesday, April 2, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. and remained posted for at least two hours after said meeting was convened.

/s/Bonnie Ueckert Pierson
Bonnie Ueckert Pierson, Library Director

Bastrop Public Library Board Minutes
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March 10, 2025
Minutes - Public Library Board at 6:00 PM

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Library Board Members Present
Chair Rebecca Bennett
Vice Chair Meagan Webb
Board Member Rachelle Caviness
Board Member Lisa Gossett
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

Meeting was called to order by Board Chair Rebecca Bennett at 6:00 p.m.

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

3. MINUTE APPROVAL

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

Nancy Wood moved to approve the February 3, 2025, minutes with corrected spelling of a name. Lisa Gossett seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

4A.   The library will have additional programs for Spring Break from Monday, March 17th through Saturday, March 22nd.

4B.   Public Services Librarian Bethany Williams and Children's Services Associate Ariel Dirienzo will be attending the annual Texas Library Association (TLA) Conference in Dallas from Tuesday, April 1st through Friday, April 4th.

4C.   Announcements from the Library Director.

Library Director Bonnie Pierson will present the board-approved Public Information Policy at the City Council meeting set for March 11, 2025.

4D.   Announcements from individual board members.

Nancy Wood reminded the board that Music in the Museum would be held on March 15, 2025 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., and that Michal Hubbard would be presenting at a lunch and learn on March 12, 2025.

4E.   Announcements from Planning & Zoning liaison.

Pete Parsons reported little progress on the City Comprehensive Plan. When the plan is further along, the Library can then make the request for a branch facility. Liaison Parsons will bring the Board a map when there is a draft plan.

5.   REPORTS

5A.   Director's report.

Director Bonnie Pierson highlighted the library's bird watching series, outreach at the local farmers' market, history talk on March 1, 2025 with Debbie Wahrmund and David Glen Robinson, and Public Services Associate Terry Carwell's sixth anniversary at the library. Bonnie also informed the board that she has continued gathering information on the proposed photo ID cards, including associated costs for equipment and supplies and reaching out to other library directors for feedback. She also noted that the 2025 board work plan was approved by the City Council on February 25, 2025.

5B.   Statistics report.

Director Bonnie Pierson highlighted that non-resident usage is at 68% and an increase in door count over last year, and that library staff and volunteers are now tracking Spanish language usage in assisting patrons.

5C.   Financial report.

5D.   Fiscal Year 2026 Library Budget Planning report.

Director Bonnie Pierson reviewed the preliminary Fiscal Year 2026 budget request, pointing out that a request will be made for an additional part-time position to help with desk coverage.

6.   PRESENTATIONS

7.   WORKSHOPS

8.   ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

8A.   Discussion and possible action on Bastrop Public Library's Public Room Policy.

Director Bonnie Pierson presented proposed changes to the Public Room Policy, defining how rooms get used and outlining associated fees, with an emphasis on the intent that the spaces are intended to be open to the public. Nancy Wood moved that the Board approve the Public Room Policy with changes. Rachelle Caviness seconded, and the motion carried.

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

There were no requests.

9.   ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Meagan Webb, Vice Chair   Rebecca Bennett, Chair

STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 7, 2025

TITLE:
Library Director's Report

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:
Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

PROGRAMMING:
The English Second Language course led by library volunteer Miriam Mustelier was moved from the library to a different community venue due to participant scheduling conflicts. The library was unable to accommodate a different meeting time because of prior meeting room reservations. As such, the last session at the library was held on Saturday, March 15th.

On Wednesday, March 12th, the library attended the BISD Youth Job Fair, connecting with students from Bastrop and Cedar Creek High School. Public Services Librarian Bethany Williams and Youth Services Librarian Eva Bernal shared information about the summer clerk positions, teen volunteering, and Teen Thursday, as well as insights into library careers.

On Monday, March 17th, the library held a Disney Classics movie marathon. A movie was shown at 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 2:30 p.m. and snacks were provided to patrons in attendance. A total of 94 people attended the three showings, averaging about 32 people per movie.

From Monday, March 17th through Friday, March 21st, patrons of all ages came together to decorate craft sticks, which were combined, framed, and displayed in the library as a beautiful piece of collaborative art. The program offered the community a sneak-peek of the exciting art-inspired programs coming this summer following the theme of Color Your World.

Youth Services Librarian Eva Bernal and Public Services Associate Terry Carwell represented the library at Easter in the Park on Saturday, April 5th. The library shared information about the Summer Reading program, the Friends of the Library Book Sale, and upcoming library events. The booth also featured a beanbag game for children to enjoy. More information on the event will be provided at the meeting.

NOTEWORTHY:
Children's Services Associate Ariel Dirienzo celebrated one year with the library on Tuesday, March 18th.

Five library staff members participated in the City of Bastrop's Clean Sweep on Saturday, March 22nd. Library staff assisted with Downtown Bastrop and Main Street initiatives by picking up trash

around the library and parking lot and by tidying up the staircase from the library to Fisherman's Park.

Public Services Associate Karen Caldera celebrated one with the library as a full-time employee on Tuesday, April 1st.

Public Services Librarian Bethany Williams and Children's Services Associate Ariel Dirienzo attended the annual Texas Library Association (TLA) Conference in Dallas from Tuesday, April 1st through Friday, April 4th.

AARP Foundation Tax-Aide held its last session for this tax season at library on Saturday, April 5th.

UPDATES ON THE FOLLOWING:
Photo ID cards

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK:

Eduardo Jose Ubri Sanchez
Local Guide • 16 reviews • 9 photos

★★★★★ 3 days ago

(Translated by Google) It's a good place to read and spend time with the kids.

(Original)
Es un buen lugar para leer y pasarla con los niños

"The staff is very friendly, and I wish that there were more people like the staff here."

-    Patron

"The conference room was clean and spacious. The Bastrop library is a great resource for the community."

-   Bill, Patron

Statistics - February 2025

Community Engagement	Q1	JAN	FEB	MAR	Q2	YTD 25	YTD24	TOTAL 24
Circs By Patron Type								
Juv	927	360	369	0	729	1,656	1,812	5,266
Teen	51	12	9	0	21	72	304	985
Adult	4,579	2,139	2,011	0	4,150	8,729	9,153	24,436
Staff	341	86	112	0	198	539	770	1,585
NR Juv	528	290	350	0	640	1,168	1,390	3,473
NR Teen	189	71	94	0	165	354	828	1,600
NR Adult	11,451	4,935	4,564	0	9,499	20,950	23,301	60,994
TexShare	100	26	27	0	53	153	212	579
Spanish Circs	No Data	No Data	8	0	8	8	25,731	No Data
Total NR Usage	**12,268**	**5,322**	**5,035**	**0**	**10,357**	**22,625**	**25,731**	**66,646**
% NR Usage	**68%**	**67%**	**67%**	**#DIV/0!**	**#DIV/0!**	**68%**	**68%**	**67%**
% Spanish Usage	**No Data**	**No Data**	**0%**	**#DIV/0!**	**#DIV/0!**	**0%**	**No Data**	**No Data**
Programming								
Early Childhood - # of Programs	34	10	12	0	22	56	37	104
Early Childhood - Program Attendance	1,087	479	466	0	945	2,032	1,480	3,947
Youth - # of Programs	19	2	4	0	6	25	5	39
Youth - Program Attendance	519	14	18	0	32	551	447	2,133
Young Adults - # of Programs	18	9	8	0	17	35	28	94
Young Adults - Program Attendance	149	77	81	0	158	307	215	690
Adults - # of Programs	64	32	29	0	61	125	61	231
Adults - Program Attendance	440	274	193	0	467	907	540	1,893
General - # of Programs	2	0	1	0	1	3	5	32
General - Program Attendance	320	0	289	0	289	609	1,154	2,056
Outreach - # of Programs	2	1	0	0	1	3	6	12
Outreach - Program Attendance	1,199	96	0	0	96	1,295	1,857	2,486
Passive - Coloring Sheets	1,691	512	393	0	905	2,596	720	3,298
Total # of Programs	**139**	**54**	**54**	**0**	**108**	**247**	**142**	**512**
Total Program Attendance	**3,714**	**940**	**1,047**	**0**	**1,987**	**5,701**	**5,693**	**13,205**
Membership - Cards								
City	92	41	29	0	112	204	199	596
City Renewals	160	69	55	0	196	356	247	762
Faculty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Faculty Renewals	0	0	0	0	2	2	8	16
Friends	2	1	0	0	1	3	3	3
Friends Renewals	3	2	0	0	3	6	13	18
Staff	4	3	0	0	3	7	4	14
Staff Renewals	3	1	2	0	4	7	7	15
Nonresident	175	51	55	0	176	351	255	644
Nonresident Renewals	233	121	94	0	318	551	381	1,093
TexShare Visitor	1	4	1	0	5	6	2	10
TexShare Visitor Renewals	7	0	3	0	3	10	8	14
Total New Registrations	**274**	**100**	**85**	**0**	**185**	**459**	**463**	**1,267**
Total Renewals	**406**	**193**	**154**	**0**	**347**	**753**	**664**	**1,918**
Spanish	No Data	No Data	4	0	0	4	No Data	No Data
Spanish Renewals	No Data	No Data	0	0	0	0	No Data	No Data

TexShare Home New	1	0	1	0	1	2	0	**9**
TexShare Home Renewals	8	6	1	0	11	15	10	**29**
Facility								
Door Count	18,726	6,730	6,592	0	13,322	32,048	29,086	81,674
Study Room Use	398	141	134	0	275	673	691	2,390
Pressley Use - Library	97	29	23	0	52	149	116	1,864
Pressley Use - Nonprofit	38	19	20	0	39	77	71	329
Pressley Use - Other	1	0	2	0	2	3	2	167
Maynard Use - Library	70	25	33	0	58	128	51	2
Maynard Use - Nonprofit	21	7	7	0	14	35	44	221
Maynard Use - Other	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	85
Total Meeting Room Use	**625**	**222**	**219**	**0**	**441**	**1,066**	**975**	**2,669**

History & Culture	Q1	JAN	FEB	MAR	Q2	YTD 25	YTD 24	TOTAL 24
Partnerships	6	4	3	0	7	13	9	35
Special Displays	1	129	8	0	137	138	5	5
Documents Digitized	10	0	0	0	0	10	No Data	0

Lifelong Learning	Q1	JAN	FEB	MAR	Q2	YTD 25	YTD 24	TOTAL 24
Database Use								
Portal to Texas History - Bastrop Advertiser	6,993	2,827	2,533	0	5,360	12,353	20,378	47,961
Heritage Quest	264	42	0	0	42	306	564	1,261
Learning Express Library	8	6	18	0	24	32	39	68
Gale Databases	560	239	187	0	426	986	279	1,679
Mango Languages	201	88	48	0	136	337	196	481
Total General Use Databases Sessions	**769**	**333**	**253**	**0**	**586**	**1,355**	**514**	**2,228**
Technology								
Kids Computer Use	97	33	31	0	64	161	158	548
Teen Computer Use	27	6	5	0	11	38	43	132
Adult Computer Use	1,665	583	529	0	1,112	2,777	3,041	7,926
Wifi Use	4,855	1,552	1,630	0	3,182	8,037	8,033	18,640
Website Visits	11,638	2,918	4,326	0	7,244	18,882	22,512	58,006
Total Public Computer Use	**1,789**	**622**	**565**	**0**	**1,586**	**3,375**	**3,242**	**8,606**

Books & Reading	Q1	JAN	FEB	MAR	Q2	YTD 25	YTD 24	TOTAL 24
Material Use								
Check-Outs - Kids	7,293	2,359	2,425	0	4,784	12,077	11,410	29,992
Check-Outs - Tween	6,287	2,234	2,180	0	4,414	10,701	10,234	27,769
Check-Outs - Teen	1,211	383	373	0	756	1,967	2,223	6,009
Check-Outs - Adult	8,329	3,059	2,765	0	5,824	14,153	13,791	36,222
Honor Paperbacks	39	9	8	0	17	56	102	321
Renewals	9,002	2,800	2,904	0	5,704	14,706	13,345	33,755
In-House Use	4,472	1,422	1,596	0	3,018	7,490	9,281	23,138
Self-Check	4,133	1,626	1,488	0	3,114	7,247	7,360	19,241

Mobile Circ	13	0	0	0	0	13	34	37
Hotspots	83	28	32	0	60	143	112	289
OverDrive eBooks - Kids	214	42	54	0	96	310	324	773
OverDrive eBooks - Teen	181	79	52	0	131	312	291	629
OverDrive eBooks - Adults	1,840	710	646	0	1,356	3,196	2,815	7,193
OverDrive eAudio - Kids	198	68	53	0	121	319	363	1,081
OverDrive eAudio - Teen	199	49	67	0	116	315	247	684
OverDrive eAudio - Adults	1,915	660	641	0	1,301	3,216	2,881	7,356
Boundless	72	78	52	0	130	202	3	3
Total Checkouts	**32,346**	**11,180**	**10,944**	**0**	**22,124**	**54,470**	**54,111**	**141,496**
Interlibrary Loan								
ILL Borrowed	39	11	10	0	21	60	33	117
ILL Lent	32	9	8	0	17	49	37	126
Collection								
Items Added - E, 1st Readers	178	89	90	0	179	357	384	975
Items Added - Board Books	7	0	0	0	0	7	3	3
Items Added - J	219	93	126	0	219	438	234	713
Items Added - Teens	73	38	21	0	59	132	72	200
Items Added - Adults	389	137	119	0	256	645	641	1,551
Items Added - Magazines	92	18	10	0	28	120	165	391
Items Withdrawn	816	203	60	0	263	1,079	1,906	3,611
Missing Items	58	24	9	0	33	91	54	108
Total Items Added	**958**	**375**	**366**	**0**	**741**	**1,699**	**1,499**	**3,833**

Culture of Service	Q1	JAN	FEB	MAR	Q2	YTD 25	YTD 24	TOTAL 24
Reference Transactions								
General Reference Questions (ENG)	2,263	1,094	1,032	0	2,126	4,389	1,841	8,104
Directional Questions (ENG)	511	599	252	0	851	1,362	829	2,248
Tech Support Questions (ENG)	895	370	497	0	867	1,762	3,334	9,912
Tests Proctored (ENG)	1	4	1	0	5	6	6	12
Tech Tutor (ENG)	67	13	6	0	19	86	87	255
General Reference Questions (ESP)	No Data	No Data	25	0	25	25	No Data	No Data
Directional Questions (ESP)	No Data	No Data	9	0	9	9	No Data	No Data
Tech Support Questions (ESP)	No Data	No Data	14	0	14	14	No Data	No Data
Tests Proctored (ESP)	No Data	No Data	0	0	0	0	No Data	No Data
Tech Tutor (ESP)	No Data	No Data	4	0	4	4	No Data	No Data
Total Reference Transactions	**3,737**	**2,080**	**1,840**	**0**	**3,920**	**7,657**	**7,410**	**22,538**
Total Spanish Reference Transactions	**No Data**	**No Data**	**52**	**0**	**52**	**52**	**No Data**	**No Data**
% Spanish Reference Transactions	**No Data**	**No Data**	**3%**	**#DIV/0!**	**#DIV/0!**	**3%**	**No Data**	**No Data**
Volunteers								
Volunteer Hours	529.63	159.30	144.35	0.00	303.65	833.28	439.50	1,375.30
FOL Volunteer Hours	196.22	70.75	51.90	0.00	122.65	318.87	690.25	1,653.14
Teen Volunteer Hours	182.88	46.05	66.90	0.00	112.95	295.83	167.65	661.45
Total Volunteer Hours	**908.73**	**276.10**	**263.15**	**0.00**	**539.25**	**1,447.98**	**1,297.40**	**3,689.89**

Statistics - February 2025

Social Media								
Facebook Page Likes	3,797	3,824	3,841	0	2,555	1,588	16,225	3,468
Facebook Engaged	3,735	369	273	0	642	4,377	10,763	24,358
Facebook Reach	34,247	14,686	9,711	0	24,397	58,644	93,355	234,696
Instagram Followers	1,316	1,325	1,341	0	889	1,316	1,223	1,981
Instagram Profile Activity	166	63	50	0	113	279	11,714	23,773
Instagram Reach	1,739	0	0	0	0	1,739	2,437	6,154
Savannah Stats								
# of Emails Composed	103	46	26	0	72	175	169	412
# of Messages Sent	18,760	11,443	6,478	0	17,921	36,681	24,297	63,853
Opens	9,519	5,405	3,379	0	8,784	18,303	11,750	28,172
Open %	51%	47%	52%	0%	33%	53%	50%	45%
Clicks	565	262	249	0	511	1,076	926	2,121

FINANCIAL REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 7, 2025

TITLE:
Financial report

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:
Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

1. The library's total non-donation revenue from October 1, 2024, through March 20, 2025, is $23,842.05
   a. Nonresidential: $18,385.00
   b. Material fines, fees, and replacement cards: $1,366.50
   c. Printing: $3,837.73
   d. Paypal: $252.82

2. The library's total non-donation revenue from February 1, 2025, through February 28, 2025, is $4,401.13
   a. Nonresidential: $3,375.00
   b. Material, fines, fees, and replacement cards: $224.31
   c. Printing: $770.00
   d. Paypal: $31.82

3. Notable library donation revenue from February 1, 2025, through February 28, 2025, is $0.00

REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 7, 2025

TITLE:
Summer Reading Program 2025 Preview report

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:
Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

PURPOSE:
This report will inform the library board about the 2025 Summer Reading Program events and better equip board members to promote the library's services.

ATTACHMENTS:
1. SRP Exclusive Programs

Date	Time	Location	Target Age	Title
May - Opening Week				
Tuesday, May 27, 2025	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (Elementary)	Groovy Collaborative Wall Art
Wednesday, May 28, 2025	All Day	Throughout Library	All	Art Trivia
Thursday, May 29, 2025	All Day	Throughout Library	All	Photo Scavenger Hunt
Friday, May 30, 2025	3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (under 8)	Video Game Free Play
Friday, May 30, 2025	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (9-12)	Video Game Tournament
Saturday, May 31, 2025	TBD	Meeting Room	All	Tie-Dye Event
June				
Monday, June 2, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids	Movie Mondays
Tuesday, June 3, 2025	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (6-8)	Youth Art Class: Treasure Maps
Monday, June 9, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (Elementary)	Adventures: Color Craft Buffet
Tuesday, June 10, 2025	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (Elementary) & Teens	Reading Buddies
Thursday, June 12, 2025	3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Teen Room	Teens	Teen Book Club
Saturday, June 14, 2025	11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	8-12 y/o	World Knit Day
Saturday, June14, 2025	3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Adults	Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body - Wound Prevention & Lifelong Wellness with Heather Dove, RN

Date	Time	Location	Target Age	Title
Monday, June 16, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids	Movie Mondays
Tuesday, June 17, 2025	3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (Elementary)	LEGORAMA
Saturday, June 21, 2025	10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids	International Day of Yoga
Saturday, June 21, 2025	3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Adults	Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body - - Alzheimer's Association
Monday, June 23, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (Elementary)	Adventures: STEAM Explorers
Tuesday, June 24, 2025	10:00 a.m.	Circulation Desk	Family (8+ Recommended)	Escape Room Reservations Open
Tuesday, June 24, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Convention Center	Kids (Elementary)	The Ramazinis
Thursday, June 26, 2025	6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Conference Room	Adults	BYOC & Craft Buffet
Saturday, June 28, 2025	3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Adults	Healthy Living for Your Brain and Body - Agri-Life with Amanda Ortega
Monday, June 30, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids	Movie Mondays
July				
Tuesday, July 1, 2025	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (6-8)	Youth Art Class: Clay Creations
Monday, July 7, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (Elementary)	Adventures: Minute to Win It

Date	Time	Location	Target Age	Title
Tuesday, July 8, 2025 - Saturday, July 12, 2025	Varied	Conference Room	Family (8+ Recommended)	Escape Room: Recon and Retrieval
Tuesday, July 8, 2025	3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (under 8)	Video Game Free Play
Tuesday, July 8, 2025	4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (9-12)	Video Game Tournament
Thursday, July 10, 2025	3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Teen Room	Teens	Teen Book Club
Saturday, July 12, 2025	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Family (8+ Recommended)	Family LEGO Fun
Monday, July 14, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids	Movie Mondays
Tuesday, July 15, 2025	3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (Elementary)	LEGORAMA
Monday, July 21, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (Elementary)	Adventures: Rock, Paper, Scissors Crafts
Tuesday, July 22, 2025	2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Convention Center	Kids (Elementary)	Chemistry Road Show
Wednesday, July 23, 2025	1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Meeting Room	Kids (Elementary) & Teens	Reading Buddies
Thursday, July 24, 2025	6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Conference Room	Adults	BYOC & Copycat Masterpieces
Saturday, July 26, 2025	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Throughout Library	All	Readers' Jubilee

TexShare Databases Overview

TexShare members, through the Texas State Library and Archives Commission (TSLAC), have access to **86 databases** covering a wide range of topics. These databases fall into the following categories:

1. Learning & Career Resources
   - Learning Express Library: Interactive tutorials, practice tests, and more.
   - Job & Career Accelerator: Career exploration resources similar to Learning Express Library.
2. Homework Help for Students
   - Gale in Context: High School
   - Gale in Context: Middle School
   - Gale in Context: Elementary
3. Online Courses
   - Gale Presents: Udemy: Offers a variety of skill-building courses.
4. Genealogy Research
   - Heritage Quest
   - ProQuest African American Heritage
5. Automotive Repair
   - Chilton Library
6. General Research & Specialized Topics
   - Gale OneFile & Gale Databases: Covers small business, health & wellness, criminal justice, and many other subjects.
7. Spanish-Language Resources
   - Learning Express Library (Spanish version)
   - Recursos Para Hispanohablantes
8. Legal Resources
   - Legal Forms (Texas Law Help is the primary resource used.)
9. Historical & Literary Research
   - Periodical archives
   - Literature resources
   - Texas Digital Sanborn Maps
10. Additional Research Databases

REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 7, 2025

TITLE:
Strategic Plan Workshop: Vision and Mission

AGENDA ITEM SUBMITTED BY:
Bonnie Pierson, Library Director

BACKGROUND:
To comply with accreditation requirements for the Texas State Library and Archive Commission, the library must have a strategic plan that sets out goals and achievements for at least the next five years. The current plan runs through the end of 2025.

The Library Board is tasked to assist with setting goals and strategic direction for the library. This workshop is the first step in establishing the library's vision and mission for the strategic plan.

- 2021-2025 Strategic Plan Vision: The Bastrop Public Library aspires to be a vital resource that enhances the quality of life, encourages curiosity, and provides an engaging environment for our community.
- 2021-2025 Strategic Plan Mission: The Mission of the Bastrop Public Library is to enhance people's lives by providing services and access to resources in a safe and welcoming environment.

ATTACHMENTS:
1. Vision & Mission Discussion

Vision & Mission Discussion

The **vision, mission, and values** of the library define our organizational identity and serve as a guiding framework for decision-making. These core elements shape our daily operations, long-term planning, and how we evaluate opportunities.

The Role of Vision and Mission

- The **vision statement** paints a picture of the future we strive to create. It embodies our aspirations, energizes our work, and underscores the fundamental purpose of the library. A strong vision guides us beyond present challenges, keeping our focus on the impact we aim to achieve.
- The **mission statement** clarifies how we bring our vision to life. It is a direct and unambiguous statement that defines what we do, who we serve, and how we operate. Our mission sets clear expectations for the community and provides a framework for our strategic priorities.

Discussion: Crafting Our Vision & Mission

Vision: Envisioning Our Future

The vision is our destination, a compelling statement of the future we want to build. As we define our vision, consider:

- What do we want to achieve as a library?
- How do we envision our role in our future community?
- What is our dream for the library's impact?
- If we were to achieve everything we strive for, how would the community describe our library?

Mission: Defining Our Core Purpose

The mission is our foundation, the essential statement of who we are, what we do, and why we exist. As we craft our mission, reflect on:

- What are the key services and resources we provide?
- Who are we here to serve, and how do we engage with our community?
- What methods, values, and approaches set us apart?
- How do we ensure we remain relevant and responsive to community needs?