

City of Bastrop Public Library Board

Meeting Minutes

September 09, 2024

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Rebecca Bennett at 6:00 pm.

The members present were Meagan Webb, Sally Keinarth, Laura Goodwin, Nancy Wood, Lisa Gossett, Jennifer Leisure, Cheryl Lee City Council Liaison, Bonnie Pierson Library Director, and guest Kathy Danielson Community Engagement Director at City of Bastrop.

2. Presentations

2A. Laura Goodwin Appreciation of Service Presentation.

2B. Recognition of Library Board Members' Service presentation to Meagan Webb.

3. Citizen Comments: None

4. Minute Approval

- A. Consider action to approve the Bastrop Public Library Minutes from August 05, 2024, with corrections made. Meagan Webb moved to approve the minutes. Nancy Wood seconded the motion, and it was carried.

5. Announcements

- A. The 2024 Boards and Commissions Banquet will be held on Thursday, October 24th.
B. The Bastrop library was awarded a grant from the University of North Texas to digitize historic documents.
C. Regular library hours resumed 09/03/2024.

6. Reports

A. Library Director's report

- Bilingual Storytime increased participation once school started back up. On Thursday, August 15th thirty participants were present for stories and songs presented in both English and Spanish.
- The Adult Dungeons and Dragons sessions began in the beginning of summer. Attendance has stayed consistent with increased interest. There are now two groups meeting, each with a community volunteer Dungeon Master.
- Tween Tuesday is a new program starting Tuesday, October 1ST from 4:30 to 5:30 pm. This group will be for tweens aged nine to twelve. The program content will vary month to month. Children's Services

Associate Ariel Dirienzo and Youth Services Librarian Eva Bernal will be co-running the Tween Tuesday Program.

- Other programs that continue with good participation are the LEGO® Club and sewing programs. Currently there is a wait list for the adult and kids Beginning Sewing Programs.

Noteworthy:

- Public Services Librarian Bethany Dietrich celebrated seven years with the Bastrop Public Library on Wednesday, August 14th.
- Executive Administrative Assistant Veronica Nunez celebrated three years with the Bastrop Public Library on Friday, August 23rd.

Updates:

- Friends of the Library held their annual meeting on Thursday, September 5th. New officers were elected at this meeting.
- Volunteer Legal Services of Central Texas are no longer coming to library due to limitations of room availability on the days the Volunteer Legal Service could come.

B. Statistical Comparison Report:

The full report is available within the agenda packet.

C. Monthly Financial Report:

See agenda packet for Financial Report.

D. Fiscal Year 2024 Goals Quarterly Report:

See agenda packet for full report.

E. Open House Update Report:

The Bastrop Public Library Open House will take place on Saturday, December 14th. There are still available time slots open for music. Refreshments will be made available by Friends of the Bastrop Public Library.

7. Workshop- None

8. Items for Individual Consideration-

- A. Discuss and approve the Fiscal Year 2025 Library Board meeting calendar. Jennifer Leisure made a motion to approve the calendar, Lisa Gossett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- B. Discuss and approve the formation of a Nominating Committee for executive positions elections. Meagan Webb made a motion to approve the formation of a Nominating Committee for executive positions elections, Nancy Wood seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- C. Individual request from Library Board members for items to be listed on future agendas.
None

9. Adjournment of meeting at 6:46 pm

Respectfully submitted.

Laura Goodwin, Secretary

Rebecca Bennett, President