

City of Bastrop Public Library Board

Meeting Minutes

January 09, 2023

1. Call to Order

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

Members present were President Rebecca Bennett, Vice President Meagan Webb, Barbara Clemons, Sally Keinarth, Lisa Gossett, Jennifer Liesure, Laura Goodwin, City Council Liaison Cheryl Lee, and Library Director Bonnie Pierson.

2. Citizen Comments – None

3. Announcements

- a. The library will be closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, January 16th.
- b. The special guest for January's City Friends will be Bastrop's City Manager Sylvia Carrillo. This will take place on Wednesday, January 18th.
- c. Binders were passed out to all Bastrop Library Board members. The binders contained information about the board, Library information, governing and policies.

4. Reports

- a. Programming:
 - i. The annual Bastrop Public Library open house was again a great success. 704 people attended this event. The Friends of the Library refreshment table was given many compliments.
 - ii. Coffee with Catherine has had a good year with many great gatherings and activities.
- b. Noteworthy:
 - i. Thursday, November 17th was the last day for student clerk Cat Morales. The new student clerk will be Patricia Jones and she will start January 11th.
 - ii. Library Associate Catherine Lombardo celebrated her 4th anniversary with the library on Saturday, December 3rd.
 - iii. Children's Associate Carmen Serna returned from maternity leave on Tuesday, November the 29th.
 - iv. The Annual Report Marketing Magazine has been completed and is ready for distribution. This report will be available all year long.
- c. Updates:
 - i. The new furniture for the library has been ordered and is being manufactured.
- d. Community Feedback: See agenda packet
- e. Statistical Comparison Report:
 - i. Increases noted in city renewals, door count, use of hot spots, and OverDrive eBooks used by Kids and Adults. The Mango Languages Data base has been accessed 32 times YTD 2023.
- f. Monthly Financial Report: See agenda packet

- g. Material Reconsideration Committee report, presented by Rebecca Bennett, Sally Keinarth, and Barbara Clemons. Presented was the document: Reconsideration of Materials. Meagan Webb made a motion to approve the document. Jennifer Liesure seconded the motion. The motion passed.

- 5. Workshop presented by Bonnie Pierson Library Director
 - a. Open House – Discussion of highlights of the 2022 open house, possible changes, and ideas for future open houses.
 - b. Discussion points- Possibly adding an area where a Santa Claus could be present for photos, other music ideas, the board agreed to help with finding other music possibilities.

- 6. Consent Agenda

Sally Keinarth moved to approve the December 05, 2022, minutes with corrections made. Barbara Clemons seconded the motion, and it was carried.

- 7. Individual requests from Library Board members for items to be listed in future agendas. Discussion of ideas for book clubs.

- 8. Adjournment of meeting at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Laura Goodwin, Secretary

Rebecca Bennett, President