



Library Advisory Board

A meeting of the Library Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, December 17 at 5:15 p.m. at the Nancy Carol Roberts Memorial Library, 100 Martin Luther King, Jr. Pkwy., Brenham, Texas.

Advisory Board Members present:

Lu Hollander, Lillian Marshall, Jan Klingsporn, Renee Mueller, Janie Mehrens, Susan Meyers, and Keith Herring

Advisory Board Members absent:

Jerry Jares and Will Corn

City Staff present:

Tammy Murphy, Betty Thiel, Audrey Lack, Aubrie Cano, and Billye Klawinski

Others present

1. Call Meeting to Order

Board chairman Keith Herring called the meeting to order at 5:15pm.

2. Citizen and Visitor Comments

No comments

3. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Approval of the Minutes of the October 20, 2025 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Renee Mueller and seconded by Janie Mehrens to approve the Minutes from the October 20, 2025 regular meeting. Herring called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Keith Herring	Yes
Board Member Lillian Marshall	Yes
Vice Chair Renee Mueller	Yes
Board Member Lu Hollander	Yes
Board Member Will Corn	Absent
Board Member Jerry Jares	Absent
Board Member Susan Myers	Yes
Board Member Janie Mehrens	Yes
Board Member Jan Klingsporn	Yes

4. Update of Board Reappointments and Appointments

Librarian Tammy Murphy reviewed the reappointments of Keith Herring and Lillian Marshall for another term and the end of appointment term for Jerry Jares. Tammy Murphy also informed the Board that Fortnightly members Janie Mehrnes, Renee Mueller, and Lu Hollander were ending their Fortnightly Representative terms. After a thank you for their years of support, dedication, and knowledge and presentations of gifts, Janie remarked she enjoyed the years of the renovation decision making and relayed her memory of using the library while in first grade. Renee enjoyed the meetings with the architect and offered her help at any time when the Board needed her. Lu remarked the Board had completed a good job as oversight of the donation fund and she was thankful for the Board’s enthusiasm on using the fund when needed. Chairman Keith Herring remarked on the history and knowledge the departing members provided and hoped they would be available for any questions in the future. New members Gail Smith, Shannan Schultz, Sue Anderson, and Kay Hanson-Clerc will join the Board at the February 25, 2026 meeting.

5. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the 2026 Meeting Dates

Librarian Tammy Murphy presented a 2026 meeting schedule. All meetings will be held in the Roberta Cole Johnson Program Room of the Nancy Carol Roberts Memorial Library at 5:15pm. The following dates were presented to the Board for approval:

- February 25, 2026
- April 15, 2026
- June 17, 2026
- August 19, 2026
- October 21, 2026
- December 16, 2026

A motion was made by Lillian Marshall and seconded by Susan Myers to approve the dates for the 2026 regular meeting dates. Herring called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Keith Herring	Yes
Board Member Lillian Marshall	Yes
Vice Chair Renee Mueller	Yes
Board Member Lu Hollander	Yes

Board Member Will Corn	Absent
Board Member Jerry Jares	Absent
Board Member Susan Myers	Yes
Board Member Janie Mehrens	Yes
Board Member Jan Klingsporn	Yes

6. Administrative Report

Librarian Tammy Murphy provided the library statistics report for the last three months included in the LAB packet. In addition, Murphy provided the following updates

- The donation fund balance remains the same with no expenditure.
- The Dolly Parton Imagination Library has a balance of \$941 which is approximately three months of payments. Librarian Tammy Murphy reported she has applied for a TSLAC managed grant that will pay half the cost of the library's average \$276 invoice each month for two years. Renne Mueller asked for a board member to join the DPIL committee at the February 2026 meeting.
- Policies and procedures for Exhibits and Displays, Donations and Gifts, and Donor Recognition are being written by Karen Stark, Tammy Murphy, and Susan Neinstedt. A rough draft will be presented in February 2026.
- Janie Mehrens asked about the future of the Fortnightly Club timeline art exhibit. Lu Hollander discussed the difficulty of finding a design company. The subject will be addressed at a Fortnightly meeting in the future.

7. Adjourn

Keith Herring adjourned the meeting. The Christmas Social began with the staff members joining the library board.

Keith Herring

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Chair Person

ATTEST:

Tammy Murphy

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Staff Liaison