



Library Advisory Board

A meeting of the Library Advisory Board was held on Wednesday August 21, 2024 at 5:15 p.m. at the Nancy Carol Roberts Memorial Library, 100 Martin Luther King, Jr. Pkwy., Brenham, Texas.

Advisory Board Members present:

Sabrina Roberts, Lu Hollander, Renee Mueller, Keith Herring, Lillian Marshall, Will Corn, Janie Mehrens, and Jody Tyson

Advisory Board Members absent:

Jerry Jares and Renee Mueller

City staff present:

Tammy Murphy

Others present

None

1. Call Meeting to Order

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

2. Citizen and Visitor Comments

none

3. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Approval of the Minutes from the June 26, 2024 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Will Corn and seconded by Sabrina Roberts to approve the Minutes from the June 26, 2024 regular meeting as written.

Chairperson Herring called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Keith Herring	Yes
Board Member Lillian Marshall	Yes
Board Member Renee Mueller	Absent
Board Member Lu Hollander	Yes
Board Member Will Corn	Yes
Board Member Jerry Jares	Absent
Board Member Sabrina Roberts	Yes
Board Member Janie Mehrens	Yes
Board Member Jody Tyson	Yes

4. Presentation and Discussion Related to the Library’s Summer Reading Program

A presentation was made by Librarian Tammy Murphy listing the 2024 “Adventure Begins at Your Library” summer reading program final statistics as shown in the packet. A comparison chart of the last three years 2022-2024 show an increase in many areas, including total readers enrolled, total readers completing all levels, total of prizes earned, total reviews written, and total minutes read. 2025 will be Color Our World on June 2 through July 11, 2025.

5. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Purchase of an AWE children’s computer with Donation Funds

Tammy Murphy presented information on the AWE All in One Computer Station for children. The model requested is Version 3 Platinum Early Literacy and After School Edge Bundle that provides outstanding, vetted content for ages 2 through 12 without using the internet. The computer would add another tech resource to the children’s area to complement our older AWE computers and the only content for ages above 6.

Tammy provided a quote on the ready to plug in station of \$3,724.00 to paid from the general donation fund.

A motion was made by Janie Mehrens and seconded by Lillian Marshall to purchase the AWE children’s computer with Donation funds.

Chairperson Herring called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Keith Herring	Yes
Board Member Lillian Marshall	Yes
Board Member Renee Mueller	Absent
Board Member Lu Hollander	Yes
Board Member Will Corn	Yes
Board Member Jerry Jares	Absent
Board Member Sabrina Roberts	Yes
Board Member Janie Mehrens	Yes
Board Member Jody Tyson	Yes

6. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Recommended Changes and Additions to Room Use Policy and Patron Conduct Policy

Librarian Tammy Murphy presented the 2016 Room Use Policy included in the packet and explained some of the Room Use Policy requirements had changed, were in error, or needed clarification updates. Discussion led to Chairman Herring suggesting tabling any possible action until a completed example of the proposed changes, corrections, and clarifications could be presented.

A motion was made by Lillian Marshall and seconded by Lu Hollander to table any action upon recommended changes and additions to Room Use Policy and Patron Conduct Policy.

Chairperson Herring called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Keith Herring	Yes
Board Member Lillian Marshall	Yes
Board Member Renee Mueller	Absent
Board Member Lu Hollander	Yes
Board Member Will Corn	Yes
Board Member Jerry Jares	Absent
Board Member Sabrina Roberts	Yes
Board Member Janie Mehrens	Yes
Board Member Jody Tyson	Yes

7. 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

- Gloria May was promoted to Asst. Librarian.
- The City of Brenham will be advertising a full time support specialist position and a part time library clerk I position
- The Blinn Work Study program has 14 applicants and will be vetted for interviews.
- Yearly programs for children and teens will begin in September.
- Gloria May will be gathering ideas to begin adult programming.

8. Meeting adjourned

Keith Herring

Chair Person

ATTEST:

Tammy Murphy

Staff Liaison