



Library Advisory Board

A meeting of the Library Advisory Board was held on Wednesday June 18, 2025 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, Jerry Jares, Jan Klingsporn, Janie Mehrens, and Keith Herring

Advisory Board Members absent:

Will Corn, Renee Mueller, and Susan Myers

City staff present:

Tammy Murphy

Others present

none

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 April 23, 2025 Regular Meeting

A spacing error was corrected on Item Six. A motion was made by Lillian Marshall and seconded by Jan Klingsporn to approve the Minutes from the April 23, 2025 regular meeting as corrected. 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	Absent
Board Member Lu Hollander	Yes
Board Member Will Corn	Absent
Board Member Jerry Jares	Yes
Board Member Susan Myers	Absent
Board Member Janie Mehrens	Yes
Board Member Jan Klingsporn	Yes

4. Discussion of the Fortnightly Club Donation

Librarian Tammy Murphy read Fortnightly's City Council letter presenting a donation of \$37,000 to the Nancy Carol Roberts Memorial Library. Appreciation from the library was expressed to present Fortnightly members. A discussion among the board members covered the use of funds for the program room upgrades, circulation items, audio books, summer reading program, and research materials. The balance will be deposited in the Library Donation Fund.

5. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Addition of Hoopla Digital Content Platform and Swank Streaming Service

Librarian Tammy Murphy presented information on Hoopla Digital Services. Hoopla and the State Agency Partners Library Action Network (PLAN) have invited the NCRML to join a consortium of libraries to share an online library of eBooks and audio books for our patrons purchased from Hoopla. The board discussed their experiences with other library's Hoopla accounts and experiences have been positive. A motion was made by Lu Hollander and seconded by Jan Klingsporn to approve joining the PLAN consortium in purchasing resources from the Hoopla Digital Content Platform. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

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

Librarian Tammy Murphy also presented information on Swank Streaming Services. Swank provides annual movie license and will begin offering unlimited streaming of movie showings from Swank's inventory. Questions were raised about the liability of allowing patrons to use the service in the library and if the library internet filters would allow Swank streaming. A motion was made by Janie Mehrens and seconded by Lillian Marshall to table a vote on

purchasing Swank Streaming Services until the questions were resolved. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

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

6. Discussion of Board Member Terms Expiring and Reappointment Application Procedures

Librarian Tammy Murphy informed the Library Advisory Board members who have expiring terms in 2025 that the process of filling expiring terms and accepting reappointment applications will begin early this year. The applications will need to be turned in as soon as possible.

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

- Summer reading is off to a terrific start with participation. Final stats will be available at the August meeting.
- The Fortnightly House roof damage was repaired for \$4,675 after insurance coverage.
- The proposed library budget increased by 4%. Budget meetings will continue through the summer.

8. Adjourn

Keith Herring adjourned the meeting.

Keith Herring

Chair Person

ATTEST:

Tammy Murphy

Staff Liaison