Library Advisory Board

A meeting of the Library Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, August 19, 2026 at 5:15 p.m. at the Nancy Carol Roberts Memorial Library, 100 Martin Luther King, Jr. Pkwy., Brenham, Texas.

Advisory Board Members present:

Lillian Marshall, Jan Klingsporn, Sue Anderson, Gail Smith, Keith Herring, Will Corn, Shannan Schultz, and Kay Hanson-Clerc

Advisory Board Members absent:

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 5:20 pm.

2. **Citizen and Visitor Comments**
   No comments

3. **Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Approval of the Minutes of the June 17, 2026 Regular Meeting**

   A motion was made by Kay Hanson-Clerc and seconded by Sue Anderson to approve the Minutes from the April 15, 2026 regular meeting as written. Herring called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chairman Keith Herring	Yes
Vice Chairman Lillian Marshall	Yes
Board Member Gail Smith	Yes
Board Member Shannan Schultz	Yes
Board Member Will Corn	Yes
Board Member Susan Myers	Absent
Board Member Sue Anderson	Yes
Board Member Kay Hanson-Clerc	Yes
Board Member Jan Klingsporn	Yes

4. **Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Recommended Changes and Additions to the Library Collection Policy and the Library Services Policy**

Librarian Tammy Murphy gave an update on the progress of the LAB's policy review and revision. The Collection Policy 10.1 Donations needed updating to include monetary donations and memorials would be acknowledged in the Catalog note fields. The Library Services Policy Programming 5.1 needed updating to include programming could be for age specific patrons and Fax/Copy/Scan 7.1 needed to remove library faxing services and include faxing kiosk information.

A motion was made by Lillian Marshall and seconded by Jan Klingsporn to approve the changes and additions to the library Collection policy and library Services policy. Herring called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chairman Keith Herring	Yes
Vice Chairman Lillian Marshall	Yes
Board Member Gail Smith	Yes
Board Member Shannan Schultz	Yes
Board Member Will Corn	Yes
Board Member Susan Myers	Absent
Board Member Sue Anderson	Yes
Board Member Kay Hanson-Clerc	Yes
Board Member Jan Klingsporn	Yes

5. **Discussion regarding End of Summer Reading Program Statistics**

Librarian Tammy Murphy introduced the Million Minutes of Community Impact theme for the summer statistics. Patrons have read close to one million minutes in the past three summer reading programs. The board reviewed statistics reflecting a robust patron participation in reading, engaging in programs, and completing activities. 370 of the 726 participants completed the reading challenge, and more minutes were read in 2026 than any other year. Our children remain the core demographic with adults showing a steady increase in participation. The library goal of lifelong literacy is being met. Plans for 2027 include a program completion goal of more than 53%, three performances of favorite programming, and two reading challenges designed by age groups.

6. **Board and Fortnightly Reports**
   The Fortnightly Club is preparing for their new year beginning in September. The Dolly Parton Imagination Library committee plan to meet in September. 127 children receive books in Brenham city limits with a goal of increasing the number of children in the program. Kay Hanson-Clerc asked for an update for the patio furniture purchase. Tammy Murphy reported that the furniture is approved for production with a four to five week window before shipment.

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:

   - Staff updates include the resignation of Aubrie Cano and additional hours added for Katherine Phillips. Interviews for Blinn work study students will be held in September.
   - Adult programming continues with library-sponsored Mahjong classes, financial literacy classes, diamond art, stress relief, and sewing programs by staff. Children and teen programs begin their monthly schedule in September.
   - Quarterly statistics showed three thousand people attended programming and more than twenty thousand visits were tallied at the front door counter in the three months.
   - The library is pleased to announce it was again accredited by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission.
   - Outreach requests have grown in the last months. We will have booths and interaction at Clear the Shelter event, National Night Out in downtown, and a Blinn Student Center booth to welcome Blinn students back to school.

8. **Adjourn**
   Keith Herring adjourned the meeting at 6:40pm.

Keith Herring
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Chair Person

ATTEST:

Tammy Murphy
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Staff Liaison