

MINUTES OF THE MARY J. BARNETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 23, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board was called to order at 12:05 p.m. on June 23, 2025, by Vice President Becky Carico. The members present were Becky Carico, Lacey Hall, Library Director Jerri Hawkins, and Library Staff member Karen Kelly. At 12:10, President Steve Bascom arrived and took over the duty of leading the meeting.

Hall moved to approve the minutes from the meeting held on May 19, 2025; Carico seconded the motion, and it was approved.

Carico motioned to approve the financial report as presented, with Hall seconding the motion. The motion carried.

DIRECTOR/STAFF REPORTS:

Director Jerri Hawkins provided a report on recent statistics to the board. The Friends of the GC Library will have their next meeting on Monday, Aug. 4, 2025. The June 14 Golf Tournament had 7 teams with 30 businesses and individuals sponsoring. Money raised from the golf tournament was used to replace the broken water fountain in the library. The Bridge and Cribbage groups had a total of 74 attendees in May. The afternoon Book Club met on Tuesday, May 13, with five participants. The evening book club met on May 27 and had 8 attendees. The Card Making Club was held on Thursday, May 15, in the morning, with eight attendees, and the Cookbook Club met in the evening on May 15, with five participants. Friday Story Hour had 52 attendees in May. Youth STEM programs have been well attended, with seven at LEGO Mania, 12 at STEM lab, and 11 at Creation Corner. Adult events were well attended, with 14 attending the Sourdough Basics Class on May 12. Author Ann Hanigan Kotz spoke on May 7 with six attending, and Enfy's McMurrin had 12 attendees on May 17. For SILO FY25 Fiscal Year to Date (YTD), the library borrowed 214 items and loaned 284. Libby/Bridges checkouts for FYTD total 4,890 (with 302 audiobooks, 131 e-books, and 79 magazines). In FY25, there were 160 Advantage titles, including 21 audiobooks and 1 e-book. The library's circulation for the FY 2025 (excluding auto-renewal) is 9,617. We have added 5 new patrons and had 6 renewals, bringing the total to 1,542 patrons.

The staff is also concluding the Summer Reading Program this week. Jerri spoke at Celebrate Guthrie Center on May 9. Friends of the Library received a donation from Roxy Schartz.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The board discussed the progress of the window replacement project.

NEW BUSINESS

Carico moved to accept the mission statement of the library as presented. Hall seconded the motion, which carried. Carico moved to accept the Displays and Exhibits Policy and the Bulletin Board/Gifts and Artifacts policies, which Priestley seconded. The motion carried.

The board agreed to table the By-Laws until next month to allow all members to read through the proposed changes. The board also agreed to table board training, which is chapter 5 of the Trustee Manual, until July.

****AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING:**** The board training will cover Chapter 5 of the Trustee Handbook and review the library by-laws.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:29 p.m. The next board meeting will be held on Monday, July 28, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Jerri Hawkins and Karen Kelly, Recording Secretaries