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Minutes of Meeting of Abilene Public Library Board - May 13, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Cindy Montgomery at 4:05 PM.

Roll Call - Board Members Present: James Gartland, Cindy Montgomery, Jill Goldsmith, Lisa O'Day, Bea Brittan and Brandon Rein. Staff present: Wendy Moulton, Jamie Ely and Kara Cromwell. Board members absent: Beki Perkins and Tony Serbousek.

Election of Officers - *Jim moved to leave the slate of officers the same, with the addition of Jill as Vice Chair, second by Lisa; Motion carried unanimously.*

Depository Designation - *Jim moved to keep the current depository designation list the same, with the addition of Jill, seconded by Brandon; Motion carried unanimously.*

Board Oath/Affirmations - Lisa and Bea, as new board members signed the oath/affirmations which were witnessed and notarized.

Consent Agenda - *Brandon moved to approve the consent agenda including previous meeting minutes and financial reports, seconded by Jill; Motion carried unanimously.*

Correspondence - None

Director's Report

- Report was reviewed and discussed. Wendy noted that that a group of vocational students from the high school had visited recently and solar powered charging picnic tables had arrived and work is beginning on the new outdoor area including some new cement work and wifi signal boosting.

Children & Teen Services

- Report was reviewed and discussed with Jaime adding additional information.

Action Items - Discussion took place regarding employee door access. The current entrance door has been repaired. Bids were received for putting electronic key pad/coded entrance panels at that door and two (or possibly three) others in the building, replacing key systems. Money to do that work is available in excess capital improvements funds. *A motion was made by Jim to accept Homman Electronics' bid for work on the four electronic door pads, seconded by Jill; Motion carried unanimously.* Discussion took place regarding a suggestion to close the Library on July 5. *Jill moved to approve closing the Library on July 5, seconded by Bea; Motion carried unanimously.*

Discussion Items

- Discussion took place regarding the need for another new board member as Tony Serbousek is being transferred to another church assignment and will no longer be able to serve. Advertising for applicants will begin.

- Discussion took place regarding 2026 budget considerations. Wendy noted that IMLS funding is being included in State budgets.

  Next meeting is June 10, 2025.

At 4:55 PM, Jim moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jill; Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

James S. Gartland, Secretary