

Harper Library Board Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2025

Location: Harper Library

Present: Tomi Pugh, President; Scot Danner, Vice President; Chuck Leinweber, Director; Mari Praisewater, Treasurer; Jo Ann Chunn, Secretary; Sivalee Mauldin, Director; Ellen Williams, Director; Denise Mozingo, Library Director

Guests: Sharon Kasper, Charlene Crenwelge, Jane Canfield, Cindy Barkley, Suzanne Jacobs

Call to Order: 4:30

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments: None

Communications: A letter to the editor of the Fredericksburg Standard-Radio Post (article attached) was brought to the attention of those in attendance by Tomi Pugh. The crux of the letter was a complaint about trash along Highway 290 in front of the resale shop and who is responsible for disposing of it. The letter implied that the customer was calm and polite and the shop volunteer was loud and obnoxious; however, Charlene Crenwelge was in the shop during the exchange and said the customer was loud and demanding, which made the volunteers uncomfortable.

After a discussion of the roadside litter on the library property, it was agreed that no action would be taken to answer the one-sided letter in the paper, and volunteers should refer complainants to Tomi, board president.

Minutes: Scot Danner moved to approve minutes, Chuck Leinweber seconded; approved.

President's comments: Tomi noted that we are gathering the information to give to the CPA to prepare Form 990 for our tax return.

Treasurer's Reports: Attached

Library Director's Monthly Report: Attached

Resale Shop Team Monthly Reports and EBay update: Attached

New Business:

1. Select committees:

a. Nominations Committee: The nominations for the board-election committee will be chaired by Ellen Williams. The current board members up for re-election are Tomi Pugh, President; Scot Danner, Vice-President; Mari Praisewater, Treasurer; Chuck Leinweber and Sivalee Mauldin, Directors. A list of nominees for 2025-2027 should be announced at the April meeting. The election will be at the May meeting.

b. Director's-performance-review-committee chair: Jo Ann Chunn agreed to chair the committee, which entails distributing and collecting forms to be filled out by four volunteers. Results will be returned by the March board meeting.

2. Credit card: Mari stated that an Amazon business card that offers rewards would be beneficial as that company is utilized quite often for supplies. Suzanne commented that this would cause extra work for Mari as treasurer, but Mari said she didn't mind. Mari then said to table the discussion until she can do additional research on prime membership.

3. Phone system: Many calls have static. Mari suggested a log to track calls. Tomi thinks it is an internet issue, but Bee Creek took no responsibility when they checked. Ellen mentioned that the company should check their records for dropped calls. Tomi said to table the issue till next month.

Old Business:

1. Ubiquiti: A charge of \$110 per month plus \$120 annual fee for Secure Safe, an anti-viral, malware, etc. system, would be charged for server management. The need is present because it was noted that there needs to be more than the one current person, John, to monitor the server in case of issues, for example the passwords. Bill Long is being considered to manage the server and will meet with Tomi.

Adjournment: 5:02

Signed after approval at the next Board meeting

President, Tomi Pugh

Secretary, Jo Ann Chunn

Date

Next Meeting will be March 17, 2025

- EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board may go into executive session in accordance with Vernon's Civil Statute, Article 6252-17 to discuss personnel, property acquisition or meet with their attorney. No final action will be taken while the board is in executive session. The Board will reconvene in open session before adjournment.