

Harper Library Board Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2025

Location: Harper Library

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

Absent: Sivalee Mauldin, Director; Denise Mozingo, Library Director

Guests: Cindy Barkley, Sandra Leinweber

I. Call to Order: 4:32

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Communications

- A. Tomi sent a letter to the cat lady, and she has removed all but the cat carrier, which will be discarded.
- B. Mari sent a thank-you note for the Create-Healthy Grant.
- C. Tomi received notice from the CPA that the tax form with an extension request has been filed, and that Kenneth and Patsy Bonnet made a donation to the library.

IV. Minutes: Scot Danner moved to approve minutes, Mari Praisewater seconded; approved

V. President's Comments

- A. National Volunteer Appreciation Week, April 20-26
- B. Create Healthy Grant was awarded to the library to use for honoring the volunteers of the library and resale shop.
- C. Tomi mentioned that there were a lot of compliments from the patrons of the library and resale shop this month.
- D. Tomi attended the non-profit expo, but there was low attendance. The library was given some items that will be passed on to the Good Samaritan.

VI. Treasurer's Reports: Attached

- A. Mari mentioned that money was transferred from accounts to cover the annual insurance premiums.

VII. Resale-Shop Report: Attached

VIII. Library Director's Monthly Reports (Read by Tomi in Denise's absence): Attached

X. New Business:

- A. After a discussion of the monies available for volunteer appreciation, Mari Praisewater made a motion to increase the budgeted amount for volunteer appreciation from \$1,000 to \$2,500; Ellen seconded; approved.
- B. Candidates for 2025 board elections announced: Tomi, Scot, Mari, Sivalee, and Chuck agreed to serve for another two years.
- C. Business for the May board meeting will be attended to at the June meeting.

XI. Old Business

- A. Ubiquity management: \$120 for an hour's worth of repair with no monitoring seems like an inefficient use of resources. Bill is willing to back up John in managing the server, so it was decided to table the issue.
- B. Phone issues: Most of the phone calls have no issues now.
- C. Lawn Maintenance for 2025: After Tomi informed the board that Brian Young and a three-man crew would maintain the grounds for \$125 an hour, with an additional \$25-\$50 disposal fee for bamboo that has been removed, Scot moved to enlist them for lawn maintenance; Chuck seconded; approved.

XII: Adjournment: 4:58

Signed after approval at the next Board meeting

_____ President, Tomi Pugh	_____ Secretary, Jo Ann Chunn	_____ Date
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Next Meeting will be June 16, 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.