

Bolivar Hardeman County Library Board Minutes

June 5, 2025 @ 4:30pm @ the library

Julie Walton - Chairwoman

Becky White - Library Director

Debra Fuller

Johnny Weems

Carla Clift

Matt Emerson

Shelly Butler

Alison Hazelwood

Mamie Polk - ab

Chris Williams - ab

The June meeting of the Bolivar Hardeman County Library Board was called to order by Julie Walton and the roll was called. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2025 meeting.

The Director's Report was given by Becky White. These minutes and reports are filed in the library.

The Regional Report was provided by Julie Dahlhauser. She told us the Tech Grant application is open on-line and due by July 7, 2025. Ms. Dahlhauser passed out flyers for the 7th Annual Tennessee Kids Serve Summer Challenge which is chaired by First Lady of Tennessee Maria Lee. It runs from June 1 - August 1, and is a way for students across the state to log service hours to help neighbors and others in our state. Top participants will be invited to a carnival at the residence of the Tennessee Governor and his wife. There is a website to get more information—www.tn.gov/firstlady/kids.

Debra Carrier, founder of Friends of the Library, attended to update us on the new lighting proposed for the interior of the library.

Old Business

1. Board Member appointments will be done at the July meeting.
2. The by-law change showing the Board and Director is responsible for developing the budget in cooperation with the Bolivar City Council and the Hardeman County Commission was signed by all Board Members who were present. (Article VI, Section 3)

New Business

1. The Library staff has observed, over several weeks, that the Saturday hours are in need of a change. Most customers using the library on Saturday don't arrive until later in the morning and they want to stay past the noon closing. The Board voted to change Saturday hours to 10 am - 2pm.
2. The Scan Pro Advantage membership has run out and is needed for History Room use. The Board voted to pay the \$265 yearly fee from library funds.
3. The TVA Grant update was provided by Debra Carrier, founder of the Friends of the Library. Ms. Carrier informed the Board that TVA will give the Library an incentive back after the lights are installed. She asked the Board to approve a library payment of up to \$1,500 to finish paying for the installation. A motion was made to cover this.
4. The library's statement of expenditures shows that we used 89.57% of our budget . The monthly comparative shows that we should be operating at 91.67%.
5. The May 2025 List of New Materials was added to Verso.
6. The Calendar of Events for Summer Reading was added to the minutes and reports.

Motion to adjourn

Next Meeting July 3. 2025 @ 4:30pm @ the Bolivar - Hardeman County Library