

JULY MONTHLY BOARD MINUTES
FRIENDS OF THE PAUL SAWYIER PUBLIC LIBRARY

July 13, 2026

PRESENT

Board members: Tracie Ballou, Kathy Bryan, Mary Lynn Collins, Dudley Ellis, Chris Evans, George Fowler, Judy Goddard, Kathy Goin, Lynne Hoelkinger, Arba Kenner, Judy Martin, Lori MacIntire, Julie Roney, Jean Ruark, Cheryl Sandefur, Cloyd Stratton, Judy Stratton, and Russ Wright.

Guest: Glenn Thomas

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m. by Dudley Ellis, President, in the Community Room. Roll taken by Cheryl Sandefur.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the June 2026 Friends board meeting were sent to members prior to this meeting. Arba Kenner made a motion to accept the June minutes. Kathy Bryan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Chris Evans presented the May treasurer's report (attachment #1).

- Taxes were paid on June 5th.
- The cost of the new flat carts was paid on June 30th at \$1443.90.
- The cost to sponsor a Spellapalooza team was on June 22nd at \$325.00.
- The checks sent to cover the awarded scholarships (totaling \$6,500.00) are not on the June bank statement as they have not cleared the bank yet.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Cloyd Stratton gave the membership report.

- 36 new/renewal memberships
- Our database contains 2,088 total members.
- We have 493 members in good standing

BOOK STORE FINANCIAL REPORT

Julie Roney presented the May Book store financial report which showed another strong month of sales. She expects the monthly totals to increase now that the book store is open on Fridays. (Attachment #2)

BOOK STORE /BOOK SALE UPDATE

- We received a thank you note from Aubri Robinson for the scholarship awarded to her.
- The next book sale is slated for August 11th-15th with set up scheduled for Monday, August 10th.
- The November book sale is scheduled for November 17-21 with set up on November 16.
- The book store was open two Fridays in July from 10-2.
- The volunteer luncheon is scheduled for December 4th at noon.

OLD BUSINESS

- Spellapalooza is scheduled for August 7th. Arba Kenner, Lea Ritter and Harry from the Youth Services department are on the team. Tracie Ballou will be the alternate for our team. Each team will have a honey pot you can donate to before the event begins. Mary Lynn Collins will send an email with information on how to place your donation.
- Scholarship committee:
 - Judy Goddard got everything sorted out and Chris Evans mailed checks to the respective schools.

NEW BUSINESS

- August book sale (see information under Book Store).
- The remainder of the new carts are scheduled to arrive in December. Jean Ruark will submit the invoice for payment when the carts arrive.
- November 5th is the 20th anniversary of the new addition to the library. Our book store will coordinate with the library to advertise a sale in honor of the anniversary.
 - Tracie Ballou and Mary Lynn Collins will work in conjunction with Jean and the library committee to promote the anniversary.
- Be thinking about volunteering for the nominating committee. The committee will be named in August.

No reports from the Historical Marker, Public Relations, or Government Affairs committees.

LIBRARY NEWS

Jean Ruark reported the summer reading program was a success. The library has a committee who are starting to plan for the 20-year anniversary of the new addition to the library. Refurbishing of the restrooms is getting ready to go out for bid and the project should begin within the next year. The library will also be adding a fountain to the front of the library and work on the landscaping out front also. The new van has been used this summer and the van wrap was added on Thursday, July 9th.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be August 10th, 2026 at 5 PM in the Community Room and via Zoom upon request.

ADJOURNMENT

Russ Wright made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Judy Goddard seconded the motion. The motion was carried. President Ellis adjourned the meeting at 5:36 PM.

Submitted by Cheryl Sandefur