

Location

Bentonville Public Library (BPL)
McGaugh Family Literacy Room

Call to Order**Roll Call**

Library Advisory Board (LAB) Members

Approval of Meeting Minutes

September 4, 2024

October 2, 2024: No Meeting Minutes*

Agenda Items

1. Library Report
 - a. Holiday Closure Schedule
 - i. November 11: Veterans Day holiday
 - ii. November 27: Close at 5PM
 - iii. November 28 and 29: Thanksgiving
 - iv. December 23: Close at 5PM
 - v. December 24 and 25: Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
 - vi. December 31: Close at 5PM
 - vii. January 1: New Years Day
 - b. Upcoming City/Library meetings
 - i. Joint City Council / City Planning Commission Meeting: Friday, November 8 at 12:45 – 3:15 PM.
 - ii. Regional Library Directors' Meeting (Library Development District I): Friday, November 22
 - iii. City of Bentonville Employee Appreciation Event (co-hosting with Parks Department at Lawrence Plaza)
 - iv. Run Bentonville Half Marathon Training Group: Saturday mornings mid-December through April 5th
 - v. Art reception to celebrate public art partnership with OZ Art NWA will be scheduled after remodel is complete and Double Dutch is installed.
 - c. Ribbon Cutting Report
 - i. More than 600 people attended the Library's event!
 - ii. Key takeaways: attendees were joyful and supportive (overall) with high praise and positive feedback all around.
 - iii. The Welcome Celebration was positively received, especially with the hosted booths. Library staff, volunteers and key contributors greeted everyone and assisted with casual tours the spaces. Project leadership, community partners, City officials and Library Foundation donors were an important fixture at the event. Special guests from Arkansas State Library leadership were also in attendance.

- iv. A special proclamation was shared by Bentonville Mayor Stephanie Orman.
 - v. The only negative issue reported was the poor sound system BPL borrowed from another city department. A few minor adjustments could have been made in some areas, but the general consensus was that the community event was a success.
- 2. Expansion/Renovation Update
 - a. Construction punch list and close-out for expansion is ongoing
 - b. Furniture and equipment delivery and installation recap
 - c. Signage package updates
 - d. Remaining renovation overview
- 3. Friends of the Bentonville Library Report
- 4. Bentonville Library Foundation Report
- 5. Public Comments on Agenda Items (Limited Public Forum)
- 6. If time allows: the group will tour the Makerspace with Librarian Carl Lukins.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at 1 PM

Room Location TBD

Adjournment

About Public Comments on Agenda Items

Library Advisory Board meetings are open to the public. Guests may make public comments at the end of the agenda. Making a public comment will require you to register with your name, address, phone number and email address. Each person is limited to 3 minutes of comments; public comments should relate to board meeting agenda items.

*On October 2, 2024, the Library Advisory Board meeting was not formally called to order. There are no meeting minutes. Several members were onsite and received a tour of the adult collections and new expansion spaces.