

# Minutes of the Hays Public Library (HPL) Board Meeting

June 17, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Amy Feauto, Chair.

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| Present Board Members | Patti Park, Zoom<br>Mary Toepfer<br>Shane Smith<br>Brandon Hines, Director                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Amy Feauto<br>Sue Ann Tebo |
| Absent Board Members  | Emily Roth, Mason Ruder, Shelley Bryant                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                            |
| Guests                | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                            |
| Public Comment        | Limit to 3 minutes per person, 30 minutes total.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                            |
| Presentation          | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                            |
| Communication Consent | Eugenia Spady letter received by board via email.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                            |
| Agenda                | It was moved and seconded (Smith/Tebo) to accept the May 13, 2026, board meeting minutes, May 2026 bills and financial reports, and the department reports and statistics as presented. Motion passed unanimously.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                            |
| Director's Report     | Included in packet.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                            |
| Unfinished Business   | a. 2027 HPL Budget. Presented by Brandon Hines (Action). It was moved and seconded (Smith/Tebo) to adopt the 2027 HPL Budget as presented. Motion passed unanimously.<br><br>b. 2027 Payscale Adjustment. Presented by Brandon Hines (Action). It was moved and seconded (Smith/Toepfer) to approve a 3% increase to the payscale and a 1% merit increase for 2027. Motion passed unanimously.                                                                                                                                             |                            |
| New Business          | a. CKLS Voting Representative. Presented by Brandon Hines (action). It was moved and seconded (Toepfer/Park) to appoint the HPL Director as the CKLS voting representative. Motion passed unanimously.<br><br>c. Ellis County PL Update. Presented by Brandon Hines (discussion). The State Library of Kansas met and has initiated regulation changes that impact the taxing district exclusion process for libraries. The Ellis County Library met with Hays Public Library, Ellis Public Library, and CKLS to discuss future contracts. |                            |
| Board Open Discussion | None                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                            |

The meeting was adjourned by Chair, Amy Feauto at 4:44 p.m.

The next meeting will be July 15, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. in the Schmidt Gallery at the Hays Public Library.  
Respectfully submitted by Brandon Hines on behalf of Shelley Bryant, Secretary 06/22/2026.