

Washburn Memorial Library
Board Meeting Minutes

June 11, 2026

Present: Cara Miller, Sarah Sines, Sue Brown, Delaini Huston, Laura Churchill, Kathy McCarty, Ed Jarrell, Tiffany Wheeler

Ed called the meeting to order at 4:16 PM.

Secretary's Report: Sue Brown moved to accept the secretary's report, seconded by Kathy McCarthy. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report: Everything is right on track, as reported by Cara. Donna is absent from this meeting.

Ed commented on some recent damage to the newly-paved parking lot.

Library Director's Report: Cara reported on the May library statistics. There were 209 books checked in, 234 checked out, 7 books renewed and 29 were used in-house.

The Teatime Book Club book selection is *The World's Greatest Detective and her Just Okay Assistant*.

The Books & Brews Social Hour will be changing from Mondays to Tuesdays because Delaini is available to help Tuesdays at noon. An average of 5-8 people attend each month.

The adult Cricut class will be held on June 25 at 4:30. The cost is \$5 per person and 6 people are currently signed up.

The homeschooling group uses the Crickets, and Delaini is considering allowing people to rent the room to use the Crickets on days she is working.

Several books were donated by Cara and Trampus Davis in memory of Jeffrey Giggie and Patty Searles.

Popular books from the past month include *Theo of Golden*, *Ironwood* and *Judge Stone*.

Cara recently watched a PBS documentary titled *Free For All: The Public Library - Independent Lens*. It highlighted the importance of public libraries.

Children's Librarian Report: In an effort to encourage older students to visit the library, Delaini is thinking about starting a homework helper program. Perhaps some National Honor Society students could help with this.

The last homeschool group consisted of 3 kids and 1 adult. Perhaps switching the time may help with the numbers. Tiffany suggested it might take a while to get the word out about the program.

There were 25 kids and 16 adults at the last Toddler Storytime.

Delaini is working on the summer reading program, to begin in July. The program will focus on kids ages 4-15.

Laura cleaned up the flowerbeds in May. Ed recently brought 5 ½ bags of mulch for the gardens.

July - Delaini

August - Sue

September - Donna

Library Basket Raffle - It doesn't look like the baskets can be drawn on Saturday night during the Star City Syndicate concert. They will not be playing on Saturday night due to scheduling.

In an effort to encourage foot traffic at the library, the Salmon Brook Historical Society and the car show, each event will have a different stamp available. People who have all 3 stamps will be put in a drawing for a prize.

Items for the basket raffle should be in as soon as possible, July 30 at the latest. The raffle begins on August 3 and will be drawn on August 15.

New Business: There will be no meetings in July and August.

Cara prepared letters requesting donations for the basket raffle. Board members are encouraged to take a few letters and deliver them in person to area businesses. Cara will take care of the letters that need to be mailed.

The next meeting will be September 10, 2026, at 4:15 PM.

A couple of volunteers will be needed to help with looking up ticket numbers for the basket raffle.

Motion to adjourn at 4:57 PM made by Sue and seconded by Laura.
Motion carried.