

**PEABODY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
September 11, 2024**

The Library Board of Trustees met at 6:00 p.m. with the following in attendance: Carmen Bross, Spencer Mize, Mark Parker, Chris Bechtold, Greg Hockemeyer, Joel Frank, Angela Bauer and Director Michael Ashby.

2025 BUDGET ADOPTION

A motion to approve the 2025 Peabody Public Library budget as proposed was made by Greg Hockemeyer. Seconded by Chris Bechtold. Motion carried and budget is adopted.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular business meeting was called to order by President Carmen Bross.

MINUTES

Minutes of the regular August Board meeting were approved.

A motion to approve was made by Greg Hockemeyer. Seconded by Mark Parker. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

HEALTHCARE

Chris Bechtold met with the staff regarding the proposed healthcare change. Further discussion was tabled until the October meeting when the new insurance rates will be available.

STAFFING CHANGES

Christie Hazen has moved to Technical Services as a Library Assistant, Elizabeth Erne has shifted her focus from Teens to Littles, and Emily Sheets has moved from Circulation to Youth Services Professional Assistant to work with teens.

BUILDING PROJECTS

Mike shared some of the changes being made around the building. There has been shifting of Teen materials, Library of Things has been moved downstairs, the former location of Library of Things will become a conference room and the new carpet will be installed in the teen area at the end of the month. There were compliments from the Board on the changes that have already been done in the Youth Services area.

STREAMING SERVICES

There were some questions about streaming services and Mike gave an explanation of the different options that we offer, such as Hoopla, Kanopy, Libby, etc.

CLAIMS

A motion to approve the September 2024 claims was made by Greg Hockemeyer. Seconded by Spencer Mize. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Chris Bechtold. Seconded by Joel Frank. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Parker, Secretary