

The Paden City Library Board of Trustees met on April 20, 2026, with President Joanna Casto presiding. Also present were trustees Margaret Sine and Barbara Slider, newly-instated member Steve Strother, and library director Danielle Ice-Davis. Absent was board member Rick Bertozzi.

Following the reading of the March minutes, motion to approve was offered by Margaret Sine and seconded by Steve Strother. Motion passed. Barbara Slider moved to approve the monthly financial statement, and after a second by Steve Strother, that motion also passed.

Director's report: Special programs for Summer Reading, which is based on a dinosaur theme this year, are nearly all set. A required changeover to a different credit card through Amazon, necessitating the prompt using up of points earned, has led to the purchase of some special fun supplies for the program. The report required by Wetzel County Commission to account for how their \$18,000 in funding was used is ready to go. When approached for funding consideration, the Tyler County BOE was unresponsive. The director will next approach the Tyler County Commission. It was noted that even though the library was successful at the time in regaining funds a couple of years ago that were taken from PC and reallocated to Tyler County, those funds, approximately \$7000, are now gone. The uncertainty of any replacement holds the proposed budget for 2026-2027 in limbo.

Security cameras have been installed and are working well. Pinwheels outside the library are promoting Child Abuse Prevention Month. The WVLC has a new director, Sarah Price. Spring Fling sessions were completed and an inservice in Moundsville is set for May. The Creative Writing Workshop was well-received, with 7 adults actually attending, and may be repeated later this year. There has been some improvement in problems with patron behavior.

Business: Margaret Sine encouraged the director to plan for patriotic exterior decorations to celebrate the nation's 250th birthday this summer. A second construction bid had been received for a possible storage addition to the east door, but no action was taken.

Margaret Sine moved to adjourn, and Barbara Slider seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Barbara Slider, Secretary