

**Southwest La Plata Library District  
Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes  
March 17, 2025  
1305 Escalante Drive, Suite 200**

**1. Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 4:09 PM. In attendance were Rebecca Benally, Sharon Orr, Peter Miesler, Amanda McKown (teleconference), Roy Horvath (teleconference), Chris Yeargin

**2. Approve Agenda**

Motion to approve the March 17, 2025 agenda by Sharon, second by Peter; unanimous approval.

**3. Consent Agenda**

Motion made by Sharon to approve the Meeting minutes (2/17/25), March Board Report, Financials, and move the Strategic Plan, FLM Reunion Request and 501c3 to be discussed under Other items, second by Peter; unanimous approval

**4. Public Comments**

- Chris Yeargin will apply to the County for a Board of Trustee position.

**5. Update from Friends of Library members**

- New Board member-Cindy Carton

**6. Update from District Director and Branch Managers**

- Received 100% approval for “site improve” required by State
- Ballentine grant- Library purchased Ready to Read books (50) K-3 and will fund several reading programs (\$10,000).
- DFEE Grant-for shelving, community garden, STEM for after school programs, blocks (\$5500)
- Internet going into both schools during Spring Break. In April Library phone lines will be put in.

**7. Committee updates – Management, Finance, Strategy/Development**

**A. Strategic Plan and Development Committee Update**

1. Kline Property tree trimming
  - An arborist will be consulted to advise and give an estimate.
2. Strategic Progress Report
  - 90% of Goals set in the current Strategic Plan have successfully been met and efforts continue to improve and engage the public through extensive outreach, staff quarterly trainings, pursuit of grants, hosting several community events for children, teens, and adults, and year- around reading programs. In addition, the property adjacent to Fort Lewis Mesa Elementary School was purchased to provide future program and meeting space, as well as storage and display space for the Friends of the Library.

- Goals in the development phase are as follows:
  - design and remodel of the Kline property
  - a plan for a bookmobile (if realistic)
  - creating and implementing a job-shadowing/internship program for high school students.
- B. Management Committee Update
  - 1. Legislative Briefing was reported on by Rebecca
- C. Finance Committee Update
  - 1. Finances were reviewed and numbers are generally as budgeted

## **8. Other Items**

- A. FLM Reunion request, LoD and 501c3
  - 1. Friends of the Library will not be able to accommodate funds from the Reunion group.
  - 2. Request-Use Library District Zoom account to host meeting for FLM District Planning Group for the Reunion purposes?
    - Zoom accounts cannot be shared with another organization.

## **9. Adjourn – 5:19 PM**

Next SWLPLD Board meetings – 4:00 PM April 21, 2025; 4:00 PM May 19, 2025