

Notice of Meeting of the Library Advisory Board of the City of Georgetown, Texas May 5, 2026

The Georgetown Library Advisory Board will meet on May 5, 2026 at 6:00 PM at Public Library, 402 W. 8th Street.

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Public Wishing to Address the Board

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Public wishing to address the board.

As of the deadline, no persons were signed up to address the Board.

Regular Session

- 1.A **LAB Minutes**
Consideration and possible action to approve the March 3, 2026 Library Advisory Board minutes -- Catherine Morales, Chair
- 1.B **Library Director's Report**
Consideration of the Library Director's report -- Sally Miculek, Library Director
- 1.C **Evaluation of library materials and recommendation of collection placement**
Consideration and possible action to place titles on the attached list in the recommended collections -- Sally Miculek, Library Director
- 1.D **Meeting schedule**
Consideration and possible action to reschedule the next Library Advisory Board meeting -- Catherine Morales, Chair

Adjournment

Adjournment

Certificate of Posting

I, Robyn Densmore, City Secretary for the City of Georgetown, Texas, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted at City Hall, 808 Martin Luther King Jr. Street, Georgetown, TX 78626, a place readily accessible to the general public as required by law, on the _____ day of _____, 2026, at _____, and remained so posted for at least three business days preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Robyn Densmore, City Secretary

City of Georgetown, Texas
Library Advisory Board
May 5, 2026

SUBJECT:
LAB Minutes

SUGGESTED ACTION:
Consideration and possible action to approve the March 3, 2026 Library Advisory Board minutes --
Catherine Morales, Chair

ITEM SUMMARY:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

SUBMITTED BY:
Valerie Barber, Library

ATTACHMENTS:
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Minutes of the Library Advisory Board City of Georgetown, Texas Tuesday, March 3, 2026

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The following Members were in attendance:

Present were: David Zeornes, Denise M Brown, Catherine Morales, Laura M Helpert, Susan C. Raser, Thomas Sinwell

Meeting started at 6:03; Dustin Lujan excused absence

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None were present

1. Regular Session

- 1.A Introduction of new Library Advisory Board member
Introduction of new Library Advisory Board member Denise Brown -- Sally Miculek, Library Director
Miculek introduced new Library Advisory Board member Denise Brown.

- 1.B **LAB Minutes**
Consideration and possible action to approve the September 9, 2025 Library Advisory Board minutes -- Catherine Morales, Chair
Valerie Barber made a mistake and typed that the minute to be approved were from September 9, 2025 when they are in fact the January 6, 2026 minutes.

Moved by Laura M Helpert; seconded by Susan C. Raser to Approve January 6, 2026 minutes.

Motion Approved: 6- 0

Voting For: Catherine Morales, Laura M Helpert, Susan C. Raser, Thomas Sinwell, David Zeornes, Denise M Brown

Voting Against: None

- 1.C **Library Director's Report**
Consideration of the Library Director's report -- Sally Miculek, Library Director
Miculek reviewed library statistics, comments from the suggestion box and programs with the board. Of special import was the grand opening of the Library lockers at the Carver Center for Families on February 27, 2026.

- 1.D Meeting schedule
Consideration and possible action to reschedule the next Library Advisory Board meeting -- Catherine Morales, Chair
The Library Advisory Board meeting will take place as regularly scheduled on Tuesday, May 5, 2026

Adjournment

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Chair Morales adjourned the meeting at 6:50 pm.

These minutes were approved at the meeting of _____

Chair

Attest

**City of Georgetown, Texas
Library Advisory Board
May 5, 2026**

SUBJECT:

Library Director's Report

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Consideration of the Library Director's report -- Sally Miculek, Library Director

ITEM SUMMARY:

Miculek will review library statistics, patron comments, programs, and more with the board.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

SUBMITTED BY:

Valerie Barber, Library

ATTACHMENTS:

[Director's report 05.05.2026.pdf](#)

[Statistics through March 2026.pdf](#)

March 2026 Highlights

- Youth programs (including but not limited to):
 - Joe McDermott
 - Homeschool Happenings: Sticky Fingers Cooking of Ausitn
 - Tween & Teen Lego Fun Day
 - Teen Hangout
- Adult programs and activities (including but not limited to):
 - Live music featuring Rockabilly
 - Make it Char-CUTE-erie!
 - Basic Computer Skills with Goodwill Central Texas
 - Read and Tell

April 2026 Highlights

- Youth programs (including but not limited to):
 - Matt Sasndbank's Shadow Factory
 - Zootopia 2
 - Tween and Teen Bookmark Bedazzling
 - Anime Club
- Adult programs and activities (including but not limited to):
 - Empowered Caregiver with Alzheimer's Association
 - Adultish: Rooting for You!
 - Fiber and Friends
 - GPL World Cinema

Additional highlights

- The Library was closed on Saturday, April 4 – Sunday, April 5 in observance of Easter
- The following books were donated to the Library's **Local Authors Collection**:
 - Thesis and Conviction: Investing for Alpha in a Beta World, by Steven Ankerstar and Mike Younkman (Adult)
 - Privacy Tools in the Age of AI and Build Your Own VPN Server by Lin Song (Adult)
 - The Last Woman, by John Willingham (Adult)
 - Slow Down to Heal and Truly Live, by Patricia McNamara (Adult)
 - The Fifth Paradigm, by Anthony Turner (Adult)

Patron Comments

1. **Patron Comment:** Please bring back A-Z Databases or, as an option, Reference USA.
Director's Response: *These database products were withdrawn from GPL's lineup due to negligible use and substantial expense by comparison to other databases. Staff are on the lookout for more affordable options that could meet this information need.*
2. **Patron Comment:** Book Suggestion: "Super You: A pick your path adventure #2: The Power of Invisibility," by Hena Khan and Andrea Menotti.
Director's Response: *This suggestion has been forwarded to the children's materials selector.*
3. **Patron Comment:** How about a shredder for public use? (Not for personal consumption—not for files and boxes of material) for thing we print, documents that we need to shred and reprint. I have a small stack of postdated checks. I would pay for the privilege to shred. Thank you!
Director's Response: *The Library does not have a public use shredder, but we will take this suggestion into consideration for future service needs. When a patron prints a document and does not pick it up,*

or in cases where a patron has had to reprint a document, staff will place the extra or abandoned documents in the shred bins to be picked up and disposed of by the shredding company the City is contracted with.

4. **Patron Comment:** Please order “Toward Freedom,” by Raquel Willis.

Director’s Response: *This request has been forwarded to the selector for Adult NonFiction materials.*

2025-2026 Georgetown Public Library Statistics

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Annual Total
Patron Usage													
Visits 2025-2026	25614	26761	30210	28429	32376	49874							193264
Visits 2024-2025	27103	27726	19814	37064	31874	37459	29077	30557	29835	28832	30356	34444	364141
# of patrons who checked out	4539	4082	4064	4381	4340	4483							25889
New Members													
City Residents	373	225	279	379	349	304							1909
Non-residents	139	99	126	63	79	82							588
GISD Student	11	6	8	4	12	11							52
Total	523	330	413	446	440	397	0	0	0	0	0	0	2549
Physical Collection Circulation													
2025-2026	39,673	32,254	35,989	39,606	34,610	39,492							221,624
2024-2025	41,858	39,570	35,967	39,612	36,476	40,388	38,391	42,074	46,183	46,684	43,482	40,012	490,697
WOW! Circs	1,560	1,352	1,194	1,600	1,398	1,773							8,877
Carver Circs	361	45	178	7	24	10							625
SC Circs	1,312	1,282	1,529	1,725	1,590	1,662							9,100
Digital Collection Circulation													
Ebooks	13,228	12,918	13,121	14,450	12,918	13,924							80,559
Streaming	575	518	463	711	479	645							3,391
Databases	7,900	7,986	6,617	7,570	7,736	5,692							43,501
Periodicals	300	220	312	235	306	373							1,746
Total Digital Circs	22,003	21,642	20,513	22,966	21,439	20,634							129,197
Library Collection Changes													
Copies Added	918	833	1,117	870	1,123	1,162							6,023
Copies Discarded	1,054	609	1,116	2,459	1,682	1,194							8,114
Donations Added	34	3	73	36	46	48							240
Interlibrary Loans													
GPL ILL Req. filled	133	42	78	118	109	98							578
Outgoing ILL	12	7	10	13	13	9							64
Internet usage (sessions)	1870	1295	1565	1785	2005	2142							10662
Volunteer Hours	780.00	652.00	670.00	683.00	1390.00	1378.00							5553.00
Programs													
Children's Programs													
Programs	5	2	8	6	3	7							31
Storytime Programs	56	22	31	43	47	41							240
Attendance	2448	32	327	39	530	480							3856
Teen Programs													
Programs	6	4	5	6	6	4							31
Attendance	50	25	60	58	68	60							321
Adult Programs													
Programs	33	17	25	34	38	39							186
Attendance	326	120	29	195	355	285							1310
Meeting Room Use													
# of reservations	117	124	94	116	144	121							716
Study Room Use													
# of reservations	406	261	317	398	431	450							2263

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SUBJECT:

Evaluation of library materials and recommendation of collection placement

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Consideration and possible action to place titles on the attached list in the recommended collections -- Sally Miculek, Library Director

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[Titles for LAB recommendation 05.05-26.pdf](#)

Title	Author	Collection recommendation
Un Nija Poco Silencioso	José Carlos Andrés	Juvenile Spanish Fiction
The Great Bear	Annie Booker	Easy Fiction
Hey! Look at You!	Sandra Boynton	Board Books
Pop, a Real Hero	Ellen Crayton	Juvenile NonFiction
Secreto de Bruja: El Campamento de Hecheceria	Patricia García-Rojo	Juvenile Spanish Fiction
Ducks! New and Updated	Gail Gibbons	Juvenile NonFiction
Mamamigas	Paula González and José Carlos Andrés	Juvenile Spanish Fiction
Look at the Animals! / ¡Mira los Animales!	Peter Linenthal	Board Books
Baby's Feelings	Layla McGrath	Board Books
Pokemon: Head to Head		Juvenile NonFiction
Conoce a Mi Mascota: El Conejo	Jared Siemens	Juvenile Spanish NonFiciton
Mia in the Middle	Coco Simon	Juvenile Fiction