

Calhoun Memorial Library Needs Assessment Special Meeting Minutes  
May 24, 2023

Minutes of the Calhoun Memorial Library Special Meeting: Wednesday, May 24, 2023

The board meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. on May 24, 2023, by Board of Trustees President Jean Wacker at Calhoun Memorial Library.

Board members present: Jean Wacker, Louise Brown, Nancy Nix, Brandy Johnson and Rachel Westberg. Also present were Library Director Emily Resendiz and Friends of the Library President Barb Ryan. Not present were Jeff Martin and Evie Nelson

The agenda was approved by motion of Nancy Nix, seconded by Louise Brown. Motion carried.

There was no in-person public comment

The board reviewed and discussed the building needs assessment report in detail, as prepared by IFLIS Director John Thompson. The overall consensus was that there are some significant building needs that would require a great deal of remodeling or a new building, however the public support for such a pricey endeavor may not be as strong as desired.

After a conversation about the needs assessment, the board discussed future steps in the process. The board agreed that a heavy push to promote and publicize the importance of the library to the community, as well as the various activities there, would be necessary before further discussion on library renovations could ensue. The board brainstormed some additional ways that the library could continue to be in the public eye and work with the various organizations and business in the city.

The board briefly discussed the slate of officers that will be up for election at the June meeting.

Motion to adjourn by Louise Brown, seconded by Brandy Johnson. Motion carried; meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachel Westberg". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "R".