Minutes of July 14, 2025, Library BOT Meeting:

**Present**: Paul Symens, Beth Renner, Jerome Marlow, Norm Mack, Deb College, Audrey Schuller and Sonya Lang

**Absent**: Jack Erickson

Audrey called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm.

**Public Voice**: None

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**: Paul made a motion to accept June 2025, minutes as read; Beth seconded motion; all members present voted aye. Minutes of June 2025 meeting approved as read.

**Bills for April**: Bills for the month of July were reviewed. Deb made a motion to accept the bills presented; Beth seconded the motion; all members present voted Aye. Motion passed; July bills were approved.

**Old Business**:

Director’s Review – After some discussion this was tabled.

**New Business**:

Sonya advised the Board that in December the current lease for the copier/printer will expire. Sonya shared proposals from two Aberdeen companies. Sonya had the companies make proposals on the cost of a printer with the capability to do the following:

1. Fax
2. Email
3. Scan documents
4. Copy on construction paper

Century Business Products came in with a monthly lease of approximately $192.85 (based on amount of

black and white copies being 824 x $0.012 per page = $9.89;

Tier 1 Color Printing Costs 527 x $0.05 per page = $26.35,

Tier 2 Color Printing copies being 82 x $0.07 per page $ 5.74

Tier 3 Color Printing copies being 70 x $0.09 per page $ 6.30

New Lease payment $144.57

We currently pay an average of $139.92 per month (colored copies and black and white included) which would be an increase of $52.93 per month.

A&B Solutions quoted $210.00 per month for 63 months (comparable to the current printer we have now or $222.97 per month for 63 months for a slightly more advanced printer) These costs included printing at the amounts of

Black and White over 1000 at $0.0135 per page

Colored over 1000 at $0.063 per page

After some discussion the Board decided that the increase of $52.93 per month was too great and asked Sonya to check with Computer Express (the company that provides IT services for the library) to see if they sell and maintain printers. Sonya is to report back at Aug. meeting.

**Librarian’s Report**:

The library had a total of 1109 patrons visit in June

671 were adults

438 were children

Computers: used 77 times

References: 131

Wireless Internet was used 209 times

Our Summer Reading has ended. Sonya provided the following numbers:

82 total registrants

30 participated in reading challenge

Pre K to Kindergarten read a total of 2360 minutes (39 hours and 20 minutes) Top reader was Blaise Peterson who read 778 minutes (12 hours and 58 minutes)

1st grade to 3rd grade read a total of 6087 minutes (101 hours and 27 minutes) Top reader was Max Peterson who read 2498 minutes (41 hours and 38 minutes)

4th grade to 8th grade read a total of 22,246 minutes (370 hours and 46 minutes) Top reader was Eliana Satterlee who read a total of 7140 minutes (19 hours).

Altogether the group read 39,205 minutes (512 hours and 39 minutes).

We had 279 individuals attend our Wednesday programming. The SR end of the year party had 49 attendees, 29 children and 20 adults.

We will be starting our Adult Summer Reading program on August 1, 2025. It will run from August 1, 2025, to August 20, 2025.

We will be playing Bingo Wednesday August 6, 2025, doing Adult Craft Wednesday August 13, 2025, and having a book discussion on Wednesday August 20, 2025. Watch our Facebook page for more details.

Friends of the Britton Public Library update:

Current Members: 21

We currently have 581.04 in funds. The next big fundraising event will be a Freewill Donation Meal consisting of Pulled Pork Sandwich, Baked Bean, Mac & Cheese, Chips, Bar and glass of lemonade. We will serve from 11:00 – 1:00 (or until gone whichever comes first). Meal will be served from the pool concession stand. Bring your own chair. In case of bad weather, we will serve at the Event Center.

Deb made a motion to adjourn meeting; Beth seconded motion; All members present voted “Aye” motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:57pm.

Next meeting will be July 14, 2025, at 4:00 pm.

Submitted by Director – Sonya Lang