

**McKinney Center Advisory Committee Meeting
McKinney Center
103 Franklin Avenue, Jonesborough, TN 37659**

**Meeting Notice
Thursday, July 16, 2026, 3:30pm**

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

Members of the public wishing to speak concerning any item on the agenda during the Public Comment period must sign up by calling the McKinney Center Office at 423-153-0562 with their name, address, and subject about which they wish to speak no later than 2 hours before the meeting occurs during normal business hours or by 1:30 p.m. the day of the meeting. Otherwise, such members of the public must sign up at the location of the meeting, prior to the beginning of the meeting, by seeing the McKinney Center Director at the McKinney Center Advisory Board meeting.

Each individual shall be given three (3) minutes to address the McKinney Center Advisory Committee regarding Agenda items. Comments shall be limited to items on the meetings Agenda.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order:
2. Citizens Comments
3. Approval of Minutes – June 2026
4. Director's Report
 - a. Past/Ongoing Events Reports
 - b. Budget, Building, and Grounds Report
 - c. Upcoming Events Report
5. Outreach Report
6. StoryTown Report
7. Visitation Report
8. Old Business
 - a. Donation needs for Broyles Building
9. New Business
 - a. 2026 Meeting Dates
10. Adjournment

Date
Item 1 **July 16, 2026**

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Subject **Call to Order**

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Item 2 **July 16, 2026**

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Subject **Citizens Comments**

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Item **3**

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Subject **Approval of Minutes**

McKinney Center Advisory Committee Meeting
June 18, 2026
McKinney Center – in Person
Agenda Presentation

Attendance:

Advisory Committee Members: Nancy Kavanaugh, Michelle Treece, Ernest McKinney, Richie Hayward, Starlene Casey, **McKinney Center Staff:** Martha Blaser, Breanna Walker-Schadler, Anne Mason

A Quorum was established. Anne Mason called the meeting to order.

Motion #1: (Kavanaugh/Treece) Motion to accept the minutes from the May Advisory Committee Meeting.

5 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

Director Report:

All five summer camps are full! Traffic box art wrap submissions were due on June 20th. We have begun to work on the 2026 fall catalog, including interviewing new teachers so we have a wider offering of classes. Anne will begin the 250th programming with the Jackson Theatre on June 25. The 2026-2027 budget was passed by the BMA. We are working on the Broyles building so it will be open the day of the market in August.

Motion #2: (Casey/McKinney) Motion to accept the Director Report.

5 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

Outreach Report:

We are doing outreach at the Jonesborough Farmers Market and at Fridays after 5 in Johnson City. Almost all of our summer camp snacks for all five camps were provided by volunteers. We have over 30 volunteer hours for June.

Motion #3: (Hayward/Treece) Motion to accept the Outreach Report.

5 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

StoryTown Report:

The May Radio Show had plenty of people in attendance. Two people came out to the after hours listening day on June 11th. Anne will be doing the first performance for the Tale of Our 250th at the Jackson on June 25. Play in a week camp was full and there were 100 people at the final performance.

Motion #4: (Kavanaugh/Hayward) Motion to accept the StoryTown Report.

5 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

Visitation Report:

Reviewed the visitation numbers from May. We had \$2,877.50 in rental revenue in May. There are four rentals in the month of May.

Motion #5: (Treece/McKinney) Motion to accept the Visitation Report.

5 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

Old Business:

Theresa has confirmed the documentary date for Frederick Murphy in August. There will be a partnership with the ISC in the fall.

Motion #6: (Casey/Hayward) Motion to accept Old Business.

5 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

New Business:

Reviewed donation needs for the Broyles building once we open it for classes. The dates are listed for the rest of the advisory committee meetings.

Motion #7: (Kavanaugh/Treece) Motion to accept New Business.

5 in favor/0 opposed/0 abstention. Motion carries.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Subject Director's Report

A. PAST/ONGOING EVENTS REPORT

- a. **Summer 2026** – We had 94 summer camp registrations. Summer 2025 we had 108. We are looking at a 13% decrease however, we two less camps this year than we did last year. I made the decision to delete the camps the week of June 15 – 19 due to staff losing their holiday and due to the feedback from instructors last year that the additional camp was a lot for them.
- b. **Traffic Box Art Wrap** – We have received a few submissions for the traffic box wrap. Skye will put together a link for the committee to review. I think we have a few more promising possibilities in this second round.
- c. **Fall 2026** – Bre, Skye, and I have finished the fall catalog. We will be sending out press releases, printing and distributing catalogs and fliers, ordering billboards, promoting on social media, etc.
- d. **250th Programming with the Jackson Theatre** – Anne has completed the line up for this programming for the remainder of the year.

B. BUDGET, BUILDINGS, AND GROUNDS – Report

- a. Work on ADA doors should start the week of July 12th
- b. I installed “private property” signs by the gate into the Broyles field.
- c. Broyles building is progressing nicely.

C. UPCOMING EVENTS REPORT

- a. America's 250th Programming at the Jackson

- i. July 23, August 20, September 24, October 22
- b. **Community Chest** – July 11 – I spoke with Sandy Countermine to reserve the McKinney Center on this day for their Jonesborough 101 program. Anne or I will be present to provide a tour of the building.
- c. **Film Screening** – August 11 – I am working again with Frederick Murphy with History Before Us to screen his new film on this date which features a Jonesborough local, Paul Braxton.
- d. **McKinney Center Market** – August 22 – I’ve juried the show and contacted all the artists if they have been accepted. Anne has secured the music. I am working on securing demonstrators for the Broyles building that day as well.

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Subject Outreach Report will be provided by Skye McFarland.

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Subject: StoryTown Radio Show/StoryTown Initiative – Report will be provided by Skye McFarland.

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Subject Visitation Update – Report will be provided by Bre Walker-Schadler

Date July 16, 2026 **Agenda Item**
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Subject OLD BUSINESS
A. Donation needs for Broyles Building

- i. Funding for or donations of; flooring, new ceiling tiles, gutters, fence, HVAC, stools, washer, dryer, fridge, stove.

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Subject NEW BUSINESS

A. 2026 Meeting Dates

August 20
September 17
October 15
November 19
December 17

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Subject ADJOURNMENT