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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Library
ACM: Frank Dixon
DATE: October 13, 2025

SUBJECT

Receive an informational report and hold a discussion regarding the Emily Fowler Library Foundation.

BACKGROUND

The Emily Fowler Library Foundation is a nonprofit organization that supports the Denton Public Library's mission. This report provides an update on the Foundation's activities, goals, and fundraising efforts.

The Foundation currently has a \$100,000 CD that will come to maturity in April 2026. The Foundation checking account has a balance of \$9,091.51 as of the latest statement in May 2025. The Foundation's goal is to focus on bequests or planned giving donations that can be used for large scale Library initiatives or capital projects.

Foundation Trustees met on September 10 to discuss creating updated bylaws. The Foundation currently has articles of incorporation that were last updated in 2009 when the Foundation became a separate entity from the City of Denton. Jennifer Bekker provided Trustees with example bylaws via e-mail after the meeting from other public library Foundation organizations and resources from American Library Association's United for Libraries group. Trustees will draft a preliminary document for discussion at a future meeting, with the goal to have new bylaws finalized and approved by the end of 2025. Haley Phillips provided ideas for future flash tattoo fundraiser events. The Foundation will meet again in October. The date and time are to be determined.

EXHIBITS

1. Agenda Information Sheet-Foundation

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