Welcome!

If you want to learn more about Library Districts, how they're created and managed, rules, regulations, legislation, etc, you can visit the amazing website Westbank Library put together. Library Districts – Westbank Libraries (westbanklibrary.com)

https://westbanklibrary.com/library-districts/

Trustee training for the Open Meetings Act and the Public Information Act is mandated by law. You can find them here.

https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open-government/governmental-bodies/pia-and-omatraining-resources/public-information-act-training

https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/open-government/open-meetings-act-training

Once complete, print out your certificate and get it to the library via mail or bookdrop. You have to complete these within 90 days of taking office. I remember them being about an hour each.

The library is a Special Purpose District, a separate government operating under Texas Local Code 326. We have to follow slightly different rules than a city/county library and it's infinitely different than a small business.

We are funded by the collection of .05% sales tax on goods and services delivered within our district boundaries. We do not have the same boundaries as any other political subdivision. We lie completely outside city limits, span RRISD and PISD, but cannot cross the county line.

We are not funded by property tax or any dispensation of funds from any other government body. We work with the MUD and the Neighborhood Association, but are completely separate. We are not accountable to any city council, mayor, or other body. We are completely supported by and responsible to our community.

Welcome, and thank you!

Donita