Mission: The Alpine Public Library connects our diverse and geographically remote communities with information resources to encourage literacy and promote lifelong learning.

Vision: The Alpine Public Library envisions a future in which individuals and families are engaged, lifelong learners.

Members Present: Linda Bryant; Gary Dill; Kathy Donnell; Mike Pallanez; Pat McCall; Jon Roe. 
Absent: Cynthia Salas [excused]; Kathy Bork [excused]; Luc Novovitch [excused]; Mike Latta [excused]; Amelie Urbancyzk [excused].

A. Meeting was called to order by Linda Bryant at 5:30 p.m.

B. APL 2016 audit report
   A representative from Gibson Ruddock Patterson LLC presented and reviewed the annual audit. It is the opinion of the auditing firm that “the financial statements . . . present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities, and net assets of Alpine Public Library Association, Inc. as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and in support, revenue and expenses, and its cash flows for the years then ended, in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting.” The representative also reviewed the current IRS form 990. No concerns were expressed.

C. Approval of Consent Agenda
   The Minutes of the April 13, 2017, meeting were approved [Motion by Roe/second Donnell/carried unanimously]

D. Reports
   1. Executive Committee – no report.
   2. Board Development Committee – no report.
   3. Finance Committee – The financial report [attached] was distributed to the board via email, prior to the meeting. Highlights were noted by Jon Roe and compared to the previous three years financial data.
   5. Friends – the first Wednesday of each month will be Game Night.
   6. Library –
      a. First Baptist Church will present a check to the library for approximately $1,458 from the “Heart for Alpine” fundraiser last month.
      b. The Library has received a $2000 grant from Dollar General to support the summer reading program.
      c. On May 21 will be the next Lincoln Center screening, a clarinetist and pianist will be featured.
      d. On May 22-24, the Texas State Library Association will conduct a small library management training.
      e. On May 24, there will be a Family Night featuring the 3-D printing program and kicking off the summer reading program.
f. On June 2, the Swifts will be here to kick off the 70th birthday of APL.
g. On June 7, hump-day lunch will be a special APL birthday bash featuring brisket on the menu.
h. The GED and Citizenship classes are moving steadily along.
i. Funding for the Institute of Museum and Library Service and the Library Technology Services Act is likely to be cut from the federal budget. We will be affected by this directly and indirectly because state grants are given as matches to federal funds. Board members are encouraged to advocate for continued funding when possible.
j. The current library collection is valued at approximately $640,000 of which $240,000 is in donated books. Clearly, we benefit greatly from the large number of donated books generated by efforts of the Friends of the Library though Re-Reads and other projects.

E. Old Business
   1. Birthday Cards for the library 70th Birthday Party are being circulated. Brisket will be prepared by Doug Fox. Beans, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, bread, and birthday cake for 100 will also be provided by friends. The regular hump day lunch price will be charged.
   2. Denelle Wrightson has been paid and the drawings are being shared with foundations and individuals who have expressed interest.
   3. Don and Gary are scheduled to meet with Rick Smith of ETP on May 25 at the library.

F. New Business – none.

G. Next Meeting Date: June 8, 2017, at 5:30 p.m.

H. Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm. [Motion by McCall/second Donnell/carried unanimously]

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Dill, Secretary
APL Board of Directors