LEISURE SERVICES DEPARTMENT



LIBRARY SERVICES DIVISION

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 29, 2014, 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Regina Bereswill / Chair, Grace Chewning / Vice Chair, Elizabeth Murphrey, Pamela Neal, Margie Wells

Members with Excused Absences: Patricia Roberts, Herbert Weissman

Seminole County Library Staff - Christine Patten, Library Services Manager/ Secretary; Janelle Blackwell, North Branch Library Clerk

- A. Ms. Bereswill called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.
- B. Ms. Bereswill presented the minutes from July 28, 2014 for approval. Ms. Chewning made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Ms. Murphrey and approved by unanimous vote. The August 25, 2014 Library Advisory Board meeting was cancelled due to a lack of a quorum.
- C. Ms. Patten gave an update for the board on the Collection Connection program which provides books to nursing homes and assisted living centers. The program has low but growing participation by the assisted living centers.
- D. Ms. Patten gave an update on the library programs and activities to implement the 2011-2016 Long Range Plan. The library has made significant progress toward the goals and initiative of the plan. The Library. Ms. Patten highlighted programs such as tablets for checkout as a program to provide equal access to library digital collections. Ms. Patten discussed the upgrades and enhancement to the Library buildings to create welcoming and comfortable environments. Ms. Patten highlighted the strategic partnerships with community agencies and groups that expand the Library's services.
- E. Ms. Patten reported on the end of the Summer Reading Program event which was held at Red Bug Lake Park. As reported at the Library Advisory Board meeting in July, the Summer Reading Program had overwhelming success with high participation. The final event held at Red Bug Lake Park had approximately 2000 parents and children attend the fun event and receive prizes in the drawings. It was a great way to promote reading and the Library.
- F. Ms. Patten reported that the partnership agreement with the Seminole County Public Schools and the Library is being written and reviewed by the County Attorney and the attorney for the Public Schools.
- G. Ms. Patten and the board discussed the Friday hours at the North and Northwest Branches which will begin October 1, 2014. The North and Northwest Branches will close on Sunday from 1-4 PM and will open Friday, 9-5 PM which will give our residents seven day per week access to a library in Seminole County.
- H. Ms. Patten presented the Board with the new Library brochure which Library staff will hand out at outreach events.
- I. Ms. Bereswill requested agenda items for the Library Advisory Board meeting October 27, 2014. Ideas include an update County and the Public School partnership.
- J. The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.