

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD DRAFT MINUTES

MARCH 27, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

Central Branch

215 N. Oxford Rd.

Casselberry, FL 32707

Members Present: C. Sean Loosier-Chair, Susan Kellicut-Vice Chair, Rosemary Closson, Raven Arscott, and Christine Trevett **Absent:** Sheeba West and Jeanine Ellenson

Staff: Christine Patten, Library Services Division Manager, Kathi Efland, Public Services Manager

1. Mr. Loosier called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m. and noted that there was a quorum for the March 27, 2023, Library Advisory Board Meeting. The motion was made to accept the official minutes from February 27, 2023 by Mr. Loosier which was seconded by Ms. Closson and approved by unanimous vote.
2. Ms. Patten reported that Raychel Garcia termed-off of the Library Advisory Board in January and that Raychel let us know.
3. The Board of County Commissioners will read a proclamation for National Library Week at the April 25th meeting.
4. Ms. Patten let the Library Advisory Board know the Interim-Long Range Plan that will be on the Board of County Commissioners' agenda on April 11th. We are doing this to cover the gap between the previous Long-Range Plan that expired at the end of 2022. This is needed for the State Aid Grant to Libraries application.
5. Ms. Patten provided an update about the English as a Second Language pods which are a donation from Mr. Harry Jacobs in honor of his wife's parents, William, and Gloria Goodman. The Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held Wednesday, March 22nd from 11 AM-12 PM. The ceremony was attended by Commissioner Constantine, County Manager Darren Gray, Deputy County Manager Trisha Johnson and Assistant County Manager, Meloney Koontz. The donor Mr. Jacobs was unable to attend in person but joined over the telephone. There were many media outlets that attended the ceremony or afterwards to cover the story of the pods. Channel 6, Channel 9, the Orlando Sentinel, Sanford Herald and Telemundo all ran stories about the ESOL pods. The program was also attended by the Mayor of Altamonte Springs and staff from the Adult Literacy League.
6. Ms. Patten advised the Library Advisory Board about the Long-Range Master Plan. A work session for the Board of County Commissioners is planned for June 13, 2023.
7. Ms. Patten provided an update for the Library Advisory Board our technology request for Patron Point to automate online library card registration and Radio Frequency ID to add security for the library materials, provide an inventory, and to improve customer self-checkout.
8. Ms. Patten provided an update about the situation with 100s of teens after school at the Northwest Branch in Lake Mary.
9. Ms. Patten reported on the North Branch ADA remodeling project. The North Branch would be closed for 3 months to remodel the public restrooms to meet ADA standards. The closure was originally scheduled for May 2023, the hope is that the date can be pushed back until Fall 2023 so the closure will not impact the Summer Reading Program. The closure date hasn't been determined.
10. The next meeting will be April 24, 2023, at the gallery at the Central Branch.
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