

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
MEETING HELD January 26, 2015 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Grace Chewning, Chair, Pamela Neal, Vice-Chair, Elizabeth Murphrey, Patricia Roberts, Margaret Wells, Pamela Neal, David Pollack

Members with Excused Absences: Herbert Weissman

Seminole County Library Staff - Christine Patten, Library Services Manager – Secretary; Virginia Howerton, Library Resource Manager; Denise Tate, Library Resource Manager, Barbara Piel, Regional Branch Manager, Barbara McCullough, Regional Branch Manager

- A. Ms. Chewning called the meeting to order at 3:59 p.m.
- B. Ms. Chewning presented the minutes from December 15, 2014 for approval. Ms. Roberts made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Ms. Murphrey, and approved by unanimous vote.
- C. New Library Advisory Board member, Mr. David Pollack was introduced to the Board. Mr. Pollack was appointed by Commissioner Robert Dallari, replacing Regina Bereswill. Mr. Pollack is a Seminole County resident, and an attorney with the U.S. Government, Social Security Administration.
- D. Ms. Patten introduced for discussion the change of the Library Advisory Board Meeting time from 7 PM to 4 PM. It was noted that this was one of the few Seminole County Boards with evening meetings. While the new time may be difficult for some to meet, it was agreed that the new meeting time of 4 PM will stand.
- E. Ms. Patten provided an update on the partnership agreement with the Seminole County Public Schools. The agreement was approved by the Board of County Commissioners. The library is working on new library card applications which will be distributed by the Seminole County Public School personnel when children are registered for school in Seminole County. Central Branch librarian, Sara White is setting up a liaison relationship with several schools in the Casselberry area to serve as a leadership model for rolling out the liaison part of the agreement.
- F. Ms. Patten provided an update on the plans to replace the old bookstore type shelving at the North Branch in Sanford and to expand the shelving at the East Branch in Oviedo. The funds will be on the March 10, 2015 consent agenda for the Board of County Commissioners.
- G. Ms. Patten reported the library's plans to offer a new training database and service to the public, Lynda.com. Lynda.com provides professional, accurate training on popular software and business topics. The library has been received many requests from County residents to offer access to Lynda.com. It will be highly valuable to people who need to brush up on their skills.
- H. The Library Advisory Board commented on the article in Lake Mary Life Magazine about the Library, written by Virginia Howerton, Public Services Manager.
- I. Ms. Howerton shared information about upcoming library events, including: Created Equal, film and lecture program on January 26th and 28th, Remembering the Civil Rights Era, January 27th presented by Joy Dickinson, Exploring the Civil Rights Movement in Sanford, February 14th presented by Alicia Clarke, Teen Read Fest, Florida Friendly Landscape Class, Put Pain in Its Place (osteoarthritis), Mama Gansa, Mother Goose on the Loose en Espanol beginning January 17th, and Power Painting for Tweens.
- J. The board discussed agenda items for the February 23, 2015 meeting to include an overview of the Library's strategic plan, future of public library trends, annual report and customer satisfaction survey results.
- K. The meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.