

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

June 26, 2017, 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Elizabeth Murphrey /Chair, Anne West/Vice Chairman, Tom Boyko, Raychel Garcia, Margaret Wells

Members Absent: Margaret Wells Herbert Weissman Barbara Hilderbrand

Staff: Christine Patten, Library Services Division Manager, & Secretary, Virginia Howerton, Public Services Manager

- A. Ms. Murphrey called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Ms. Murphrey noted that there was a quorum for the June 26, 2017 Library Advisory Board Meeting. Motion was made to accept the official minutes from May 22, 2017 meeting. Mr. Tom Boyko made a motion, which was seconded by Ms. Anne West and approved by unanimous vote.
- B. Ms. Patten presented an update to the Library Advisory Board on the new telephone messaging system which will call customers when they have materials on reserve or overdue. The progress has been very slow. The new system may not be operational until the end of July or the beginning of August.
- C. Ms. Patten and the Library Advisory Board discussed the progress on a reciprocal borrowing agreement with the Maitland Public Library, which was returned to the Maitland Public Library following wording changes at the request of Maitland.
- D. Ms. Patten and the Library Advisory Board discussed the FY 17/18 budget which includes a request for funding to hire an off duty deputy for the Central Branch. The FY 17/18 budget includes a proposal to move the entrance of the Northwest Branch in Lake Mary, on to what is park property. The proposal would increase parking, address the one-way circulation problem with the driveway and alleviate the visual challenges posed by the existing entrance being located on a blind curve. There have been customer complaints to County Commissioners about not being able to find a place to park.
- E. Ms. Patten informed the Library Advisory Board about the removal of invasive plants at the East Branch in Oviedo which was done to save the oak trees. Some residents were concerned about the loss of habitat for the feral chickens which live in the wooded area around the library.
- F. An Eagle Scout is building and donating a Little Free Library to the Seminole County Public Library. The Little Free Library will be located at the Jamestown Park in Oviedo which has a new playground. This will be the 2nd Little Free Library, the first one is located at Red Bug Lake Park. Ms. Patten doesn't think the library system can support more than two of these at this time. The Little Free Library at Red Bug Lake Park must be restocked twice per week and is a book giveaway, as the books are not returned. Nearly 2,000 books have been given away at the Library Free Library at Red Bug Lake Park in a year.
- G. The floor was opened for any discussion under the Good of the Order. The capital improvement plan was discussed. Library Advisory Board members expressed interest in having a tour of library branches in the future.
- H. Next Library Advisory Board meeting is scheduled for July 31, 2017 at 5:30 PM.
- I. Ms. Murphrey adjourned the meeting at 6:18 PM.