

Library Advisory Board

Date: April 30, 2012

Attendees: Library Advisory

Board Present

Regina Bereswill, Chair

Jennifer Finch, Vice Chair

Pamela Neal

Grace Chewning

Elizabeth Murphrey

Greg Zullig

Library Advisory Board Not Present – Pamela Neal, Unfilled Position

Library Staff Present: Christine Patten, Library Services Division Manager, Secretary, Barbara McCullough, West Northwest Regional Branch Manager

1. Ms. Bereswill called the meeting to order with a quorum at 7 PM.
2. The motion was made by Ms. Chewning to accept the meeting minutes from March 26, 2012. The motion was seconded by Ms. Finch. The Board approved the minutes by unanimous vote.
3. Ms. Patten gave a report to the Board about National Library Week which was April 8-14. The library had a variety of activities for the public and presented the Library Advisory Board Spring Customer Survey. Ms. Patten shared the results of the survey with the Board. The outstanding rating that staff received for their customer service was noted by the Board. Also, there were excellent ratings for the Story Programs, Summer Reading Program, Adult Programs, Teen Programs and Business Services Programs. Of the people participating in the survey, 23 percent took the time to write in their desire for the library to be open on Fridays.
4. The Art Gallery policy was on the agenda but Ms. Patten asked to put this on the agenda for the next meeting.
5. Ms. Patten gave the Board an update on the library re-carpeting project which has been on hold due to the discovery of moisture in the slab at various branch libraries. The slab floors will need to be sealed with a vapor barrier, in order for the carpet to be installed. Carpeting will be delayed 1-2 additional months.

6. Under new business, Ms. Patten gave the Board a report on the progress of the budget for FY 2012-13. The library is including in the budget a request to open the North Branch on Fridays. This request includes the addition of a part time Assistant Librarian for \$15,641.00 per year. With the increase in utility costs for Friday, the total cost for opening the North Branch on Friday would be \$18,372.00. This would give the residents of Seminole County an additional 415 hours of library access and service. The Board gave consensus to this proposal.
7. Ms. Patten distributed a draft policy for the use of security cameras in the library.
8. The themes of the 2012 Summer Reading Program are Dream Big and Read for children, Own the Night for teens, and Between the Covers for adults. The summer reading program will run from May 30th to July 30th. We have a shorter program this year due to the school year starting earlier and the libraries being used for elections.
9. Ms. Patten gave the Board highlights from the Florida Library Association Conference which was held in Orlando, April 18-20 at the Wyndam. Ms. Patten attended a program presented by Judith Ring, Director of the State Library of Florida. Statewide events are being planned for Viva Florida 500 to commemorate Florida's rich heritage and diverse cultural history through 2013. Libraries will be playing a large part in these events, with time capsules, Florida wildflower gardens, storytelling events and art exhibits.
10. Ms. Patten agreed to give the Board additional information about the North Branch and Friday opening.
11. The next Library Advisory Board Meeting is being held on a special date, May 21, 2012 due to the Memorial Day Holiday. Next meeting, May 21, 2012, 7PM at the Seminole County Central Branch.

The meeting adjourned at 8 PM.