

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD ADOPTED MINUTES

December 4, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

**Members Present:**

C. Sean Loosier, Chair Susan Kellicut, Vice-Chair, Rosemary Closson, Raven Arscott, Jeanine Ellenson, Sheba West, and Christine Trevett

Absent:

Public: Deborah Poulalion, Ms. Gonzalez, and Mr. Eric Bendoya

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

1. Mr. Loosier called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. and noted that there was a quorum for the December 4, 2023, Library Advisory Board Meeting. The motion was made to accept the official minutes from October 30, 2023, by Mr. Loosier which was seconded by Ms. Ellenson and approved by unanimous vote.
1. Ms. Patten reported on the recent change by the state regarding Grant projects associated with the American Library Association, state chapters and affiliated groups being banned from receiving state library funds. This will not directly impact our state aid to libraries grant funding.
2. Ms. Patten reported on the Library Holiday Closing schedule approved by the Board of County Commissioners to include two additional days, December 26<sup>th</sup> and January 2<sup>nd</sup>.
3. Ms. Efland, the Public Services Manager talked about the possible collaboration with the University of Central Florida, Keri Watson for presentations about art in Central Florida. The Library has for many years participated in the Big Read program sponsored by UCF.
4. Other programs planned with community partnerships include Telescope Nights with Derek Demeter from Seminole State College that will be presented at the Central and West Branches in January.
5. There will also be two Eclipse programs presented by Derek Demeter March 4<sup>th</sup> at the East Branch and March 27<sup>th</sup> at the Northwest Branch.
6. Ms. Patten and the Library Advisory Board discussed the Library Master Plan. There hasn't been any action taken to move toward library expansion.
7. Ms. Patten reported on the shelving replacement project for the Central Branch Kids Zone. We were able to piggyback on a contract with a local vendor for the Estey Shelving and were not required to go out for bid. A meeting with the vendor was held to determine our needs and the vendor will handle the installation of the new shelving. The county and library staff will handle the removal of the old shelving and the books prior to the installation. The County funded the shelving project last fiscal year for \$103,000, but we were delayed in getting started.
8. Ms. Patten reported that Patron Point, for the automation of online library cards is moving forward. We have training scheduled with the vendor and the connection with the operating system is being established with SirsiDynix. We will only issue online library cards to adults to continue to require parental signature for minors.
9. Comment from member of the public: Ms. Poulalion spoke about being interested in being on the Library Advisory Board. She is a resident of Longwood and is a candidate for the Supervisory of Election Office.
10. Ms. Gonzalez is also a resident of Longwood.
11. Mr. Bedoya lives in Casselberry, uses the library's digital resources, Overdrive and Hoopla and wants to be involved in the community.

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12. Ms. West said that there is graffiti on the back of the Northwest Branch that needs to be addressed.

13. The next meeting will be January 29, 2024, in the gallery at the Central Branch. Adjournment 6:33 PM