

# McKinney Public Library System

## MINUTES

### LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

September 15, 2011

The MPLS Advisory Board met in regular session in the Dulaney Room of the Roy and Helen Hall Library on September 15, 2011. Board Members present were: Kevin Magavern, David Patterson, Jo Dell'Antonia, Judy Gay, Brandi Price and Shannon Burton. Absent was Andrew Hudson. Also in attendance were Beth Scudder, Library Director, Amy Albrecht, Public Services Coordinator, Wendy Turner, Youth Services Supervisor, and Linda Long, Library Administrative Assistant as transcriber.

Kevin called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Brandi Price moved that the July 21, 2011 minutes be approved as presented and Jo Dell'Anton 8-11 seconded the motion. Motion carried and approved.

#### **INFORMATION SHARING**

##### **Youth Services Report**

Amy Albrecht introduced Wendy Turner, Youth Services Supervisor. Amy presented a wrap up of the Library's Summer Reading Program 2011. Each library hosted four performers for school age children. The goal was to contract presenters within the community. Zooniversity did a program on animals. The magic show was presented by a shop owner on the Square. Another McKinney vendor hosted KidzScience and our final program was Science of Spin which was very well received.

In addition to programs for school age children, each library hosted four programs for Teens. Teens had a chance to learn some magic, pilot their own plane, and "go green" by creating a book bag for a t-shirt. We were very pleased to have the Bettner brothers, developers of the game application Words with Friends. The brothers actually developed the game onsite at the Hall Library. They were very open and friendly and shared their creative process, what they are doing now and fielded invention and game related questions.

Attendance for these performances included:

##### Super Flights

Hall 6  
JJGL 10

##### Recycled Art

Hall 12  
JJGL 21

##### Magic-Teen

Hall 13  
JJGL 28

##### Words with Friends

Hall 10  
JJGL 11

The Summer Reading Program also offered adults, teens and youth the opportunity to register for individual reading programs. Reading logs were handed out and returned when completed. We recruited quite a few new volunteers this summer. Planning for next year's Summer Reading Program will start in January.

Moving into the Fall, the youth services team will be supervised by Wendy Turner. Plans are being made to establish a new level of service and programming. She plans to explore the possibilities of developing innovative and creative programs for children and teens.

New to the youth services team is Anthony Perez. Anthony has been with the McKinney Public Library for more than a year as a part-time employee. He will begin his programming experience with the Lapsit program. He has fresh ideas and enthusiasm. Irma Wall is relocating with her family to Virginia. Her smiles and positive attitude will be missed.

We are looking forward to Fall programming beginning on Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Library System Update**

The 2011-2012 budget should be approved by the end of September. Beth made adjustments to staff by reducing two positions. We are working lean but very positively.

The McKinney Public Library System exceeded 1 million checkouts in August vs. last year's approximately 973,000 during the same period.

Collin County allocated funds to ten accredited libraries in the county on a per-capita basis. Plano is withdrawing from Collin County funding because they are going to charge outside Plano residents. McKinney, Allen, Frisco and Wylie will not have to pay; however, smaller libraries have to pay. Funds were reappropriated to nine libraries. We will keep track of the increase in patrons this coming year. Plano will be charging \$2.50 for every ILL.

The City is looking for land for future facilities including libraries.

Work on expanding the John and Judy Gay Library parking lot will start this fall.

The Library Advisory Board expressed their appreciation to Shannon Burton for her service and commitment to the Board these past four years.

Amanda Frady, new Board member, starts in October.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thursday, September 22, 2011 – Boards & Commissions Appreciation Dinner

6 pm Senior Recreation Center

October 11-14, 2011 Texas Municipal League Conference – Beth will be attending

Thursday, October 20, 2011 Library Advisory Board meeting

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business relating to the agenda, Brandi Price moved and Judy Gay seconded the motion to adjourn at 5:25 p.m.

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Kevin Magavern, Chair