

McKinney Public Library System

MINUTES

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

November 17, 2011

The MPLS Advisory Board met in regular session in the Dulaney Room of the Roy and Helen Hall Library on November 17, 2011. Board Members present were: Kevin Magavern, David Patterson, Judy Gay, Brandi Price, Andrew Hudson, Jo Dell'Antonia and Amanda Frady. Also in attendance were Beth Scudder, Library Director, Lisa Bailey, John & Judy Gay Library Manager, and Linda Long, Library Administrative Assistant as transcriber.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jo Dell'Antonia moved that the October 20, 2011 minutes be approved as amended and David Patterson seconded the motion. Motion carried and approved.

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INFORMATION SHARING

Discussion on John and Judy Gay Library Report

Lisa Bailey, Library Manager at John & Judy Gay Library, updated the Board on programming, staffing and services.

Additional programming has been a resounding success. In the spring of this year a Tuesday evening family storytime and several storytimes on Wednesday, ranging from Lapsit for babies to the On My Own for three to five year olds were offered. Hall Library staff coordinated and presented the programs. The Summer Reading Program was well received and hundreds of children kept track of their reading. The John & Judy Gay library is now offering programming on Tuesday evening, and Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

Parking lot expansion is slated for April. This past summer patrons were parking in the fire lanes, the drop-off area in front of the library and even in the book-drop drive-through.

A public fax machine has been installed which is user-friendly. It is truly self serve. Staff is happy to be able to provide this much needed service to the public.

The large meeting room is now available for renting by the public at the same rate as the Dulaney Room at the Hall Library. There have been no requests to date. This may be due to the hours of operation.

Staff is constantly shifting the collection in order to maximize shelf space and to best highlight all of the books. Tech Services staff from Hall and JJGL shelvees keep the shelves fresh, weeding duplicates of duplicates, or giving items that have not circulated at all in JJGL's lifetime a fresh start elsewhere.

For fiscal year October 2010 – September 2011, JJGL had 535,964 checkouts, 394,517 check-ins, and added 4,788 new patrons. The busiest day was Tuesday, February 8, 2011. This was a day JJGL opened between some icy weather days. Checked out items totaled 4,512 and checked in items totaled 3,915. This exceeded the busiest summer reading days.

Since Lisa Bailey's report in January 2011, two staff members resigned and two new people were added to the staff. One staff member moved out of state and the other completed her M.L.S. and accepted a full-time professional position in Dallas. A part-time shelver and assistant were hired.

The JJGL staff continues to work and play well together. The JJGL Dinosaurs continue their seasonal and holiday activities much to the delight of the staff who work together to create the scenarios, and the public who catch sight of them. Look for them next time you visit. JJGL is a welcoming place for staff and patrons.

Library System Update

Beth met with Collin County librarians to discuss funding. The group came to no consensus. They will research how other counties handle funding. The group will meet in January.

Second phase parking at JJGL is slated for April 2012.

The Friends of the Library continue to meet monthly. They are working on setting up some author events for next year. The official name of the Friends of the Library is Friends of the McKinney Library System. A new Friends of the Library membership envelope was developed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday, November 23, 2011 Hall Library closes at 6 p.m.

Thursday & Friday, November 24-25, 2011 Libraries closed for Thanksgiving

Thursday, December 15, 2011 Library Advisory Board meeting

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business relating to the agenda, Brandi Price moved and Andrew Hudson seconded the motion to adjourn at 5:20 p.m.

Kevin Magavern, Chair