

Friendswood Public Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes

Regular Meeting

March 21, 2017

A regular meeting of the Friendswood Public Library Board of Trustees was held on March 21, 2017 at the Friendswood Public Library, 416 S. Friendswood Drive, Friendswood, Texas. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Czarowitz at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEND

Mike Czarowitz, Ted Thomas, Ruth Lay, Bryan Corey, Neeta Jambhekar, Diane Freeman, , City Council Liaison Billy Enochs, Planning & Zoning Liaison Craig Lovell, Fisd Liaison Dr. Matt Robinson, Assistant to the Library Director Karen Hart, Assistant Library Director Matthew Riley, and Library Director Mary Perroni.

ABSENT

Betty Stacy, and Sherry German.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There was not any communication from the public.

MINUTES

The minutes of January 17, 2017 were presented for review. Mike moved and Diane seconded that the minutes stand as presented. There was no objection and the motion passed.

STATISTICS

The Board briefly discussed statistics for the months of January and February 2017. There was a comment about magazines stats being down in February and Karen realized that the number was wrong. She will fix it on the report.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mary briefly went through the Director's report. Matt talked about adult programming. Matt presented the library's cultural programming award this year to William Crawford III.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: ELECTRONIC SIGN

Mary asked Jeff Spears, the City's purchasing coordinator, to help with getting quotes for a new electronic sign. He was a big help. Craig thinks that the sign is a distraction and a public endangerment, especially with the higher sight lines. Mary does not want to leave the sign the way that it is because it is unreadable. After some discussion, Neeta moved that the Board spend the money for a new sign and Ted seconded it. There was no objection and the motion passed.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: SELF CHECK MACHINE

There was nothing to discuss at this time. Tabled until next meeting.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: LONG RANGE PLAN

Diane questioned why we used 2015 dates. Mary did not think we would get a true measure of success by using 2016 numbers because of the construction. Diane would like the dates changed on the plan from 2016-2021 to 2017-2022. It was discussed that there was good feedback from the community meeting and Matt incorporated several ideas from the meeting into the plan. Ted made a motion and Ruth seconded that the long range plan be approved with the changed dates. There was no objection and the motion passed.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: LAUNCH PAD CIRCULATION

A policy to circulate the launch pads was presented to the Board. Billy asked if we would ask for a deposit. Mike did not like this idea. Matt Robinson said we could try a trial run and if they start getting lost and not paid for then stop circulating them. There will be a processing fee if any item is lost. Neeta would like the late fee raised to \$2.00. Ted moved and Ruth seconded that the policy be approved with the fees raised to \$2.00. There was no objection and the motion passed.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: 3D PRINTER

A policy on the public using the 3D printer was presented to the Board. The filament charges might have to be re-evaluated over time. Syamantak Payra has offered to teach a couple of 3D printing classes in the near future. Ted moved and Neeta seconded that the policy be approved. There was no objection and the motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Ted moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Presented by Mary Perroni

Date Approved