

**CITY OF FREEPORT  
LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
October 1, 2013**

The Freeport Library Board met on October 1, 2013 with the following members in attendance:

Peggy Osburn	Natalie McAdams
Cindy Yell, Branch Librarian	James Walker
June Strambler	Lila Lloyd
Margie Edwards	Lisa Loranc, Interim Director

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 4:53 p.m., October 1, 2013.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 were approved as read.

**Branch Manager's Report**

- a. See Attachment #1
- b. ~~Grant for \$500 was received from Velasco FreeMasons Lodge.~~
- c. The book for the Gulf Coast Reads is "The Dog Stars."
- d. Make a paper airplane craft will be October 12<sup>th</sup>.
- e. The City of Freeport will be providing trolley rides from the library to the planetarium show on October 19<sup>th</sup>.
- f. Freeport library will participate in Trunk or Treats, October 25<sup>th</sup>.
- g. All Brazoria county libraries will be receiving floor mats to absorb water.

**Library Director's Report**

- a. Author dinner on August 29<sup>th</sup> with J.D. Davies and Mickey Gilley was a big success. Mr. Gilley donated his time to the event.
- b. A \$7,500 grant was received for AWE computer replacement. The computers are geared towards elementary age kids (no pre-k). County is purchasing for Angleton, Lake Jackson, Brazoria and Pearland.
- c. The Library System is entering into a partnership with Bay Area Council on Drug & Alcohol Abuse for a "Prescription Drug Take Back Day" on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Any prescription drug, expired or not, will be accepted. This also includes illicit drugs.

- d. The Rose Mobile Mammography unit will be at those libraries that have separate meeting rooms. Doctors' orders are needed in order to obtain a mammogram. The Mobile unit will claim on insurance or, if lacking insurance, will take you for free.
- e. November is Alzheimer Awareness Month. Brazoria County Library System, in conjunction with The Gathering Place, will conduct testing. The Gathering Place will provide screeners.
- f. All library employees will receive a 2% COLA raise this fiscal year, while those in Steps 1 thru 6 will receive a 3% increase.
- g. Brazoria County Commissioners are conducting a candidate search for a new library director to replace Catherine Threadgill. Applications are being considered from outside the area as well as current qualified library employees.
- h. The Library System is adding a new on-line streaming video service – Hoopla – available for home use.
- i. Searching for a new EBook vendor. “Overdrive” currently has a monopoly.
- j. Freeport Library received a \$2,000 Target grant to be used for a telescope and associated program.

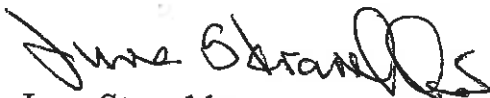
### **Old Business**

### **New Business**

- a. Margie Edwards is stepping down from The County Library Board. Commissioner Payne, who is the representative for Freeport, is searching for a replacement.
- b. Nancy Hackney, the Lake Jackson librarian is retiring the end of October. A library cataloger retired this past Friday. Replacements are sought.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m. The date for the next meeting was set for January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Submitted



June Strambler  
Secretary,  
Freeport Library Board.