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The board of the Freeport Branch of the Brazoria County Library System met on January 12, 2010 with the following persons present:

- June Strambler
  - Nancy Hughes
  - James Walker
  - Margie Edwards
  - Marge Janke, Freeport Branch Librarian
  - Cathy Threadgill, Brazoria County Library Systems Manager
- Joyce Girouard, LaVene Seimers and Rita Angel-Cundiff were not able to attend.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.

Minutes of the October 20, 2009 were read and approved with the exception that Clan Cameron, City Council Liason, had not been in attendance.

Marge Janke reported that the roof had leaked during a recent storm. About sixty large print books were lost and a ceiling tile failed. For other activities, please see Attachment 1.

Cathy Threadgill reported that there had been no heat at the Alvin library since mid-November. The failed units have been replaced but the library had to be closed for four days.

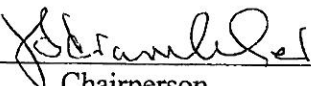
Andrew Ferne is the new Pearland Branch Librarian.


Clute Library had been on Channel 13 news, reporting about the vandalism there. Clute City Council is continuing to address the issue.

All branches will be working on Long Range Planning reports which must be ready by June 11, 2010. Focus groups composed of school, city officials, and the public will be organized in each area to find out what is most needed. Local likes and dislikes about the libraries, need for new branches or renovations and other ideas will be considered.

The new Polaris Circulation System will be in place before summer reading clubs begin.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35.

  
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 Chairperson

  
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 Secretary

## Freeport Branch Library Minutes January 12, 2010 Attachment 1

**Branch Manager's report  
January 12, 2010**

Author Day featuring Kinky Friedman was a success. Two hundred people attended the event at the Freeport Community House. The city was a tremendous help to us, and the Friends and I were very appreciative. The event generated good press for Freeport.

108 children registered and participated in Craft Day with Mrs. Claus. Centers were positioned in every part of the library and that made it less crowded in the meeting room. Thanks to the Wal-Mart grant, every child attending received a hardback book.

The children's specialist position is scheduled to be posted after the Martin Luther King holiday.

The Friends and Brazosport Founders Garden club did a wonderful job decorating our library for the holiday season.

Workforce Solutions presented five job seminars in November, creating resumes, interviewing, evaluating your skills, networking, using the internet, and rebranding your skills.

Book Club had their annual holiday party of hotdogs and chili, and 21 people were in attendance.

234 children made an ornament to take home at the Holiday on the Brazos event. Thank you to the Friends for funding the money for the kits.

The roof has been leaking. The roofer has been here twice to fix the problem. The city workers will know after the next big rainfall if the problem is fixed.