

Minutes
Library Advisory Board
July 25, 2017

On this 25th day of July, 2017, at 6:32 p.m., the Library Advisory Board of the City of Devine convened in a meeting at the Driscoll Public Library, 200 E. Hondo Avenue, Devine, Texas and the following members thereof, being present:

Kelli Maxwell
Grace (Desi) McElwee
Hap Squires
Hal Lance
Lee Davis
One Vacancy

Absent being, Board Members Cindy Wadsworth and Jose Guardiola; thus, constituting a quorum.

Personnel present: Barbara Moore, Head Librarian; Dora V. Rodriguez, Interim City Administrator/City Secretary; Denise Duffy, City Accountant; and Ofilia Pedroza, UB Clerk.

Others present: James Evans, ITT, City of Devine and Sonia J. Lance of Devine, Texas.

Head Librarian Barbara Moore called the meeting to order. She announced that Blaine Martin, who was our President, has resigned, and Cindy Wadsworth, our Vice President, is out-of-town tonight.

The first order of business was to discuss and consider approval of Minutes for February 7, 2017.

The Board reviewed the minutes.

Motion by Board Member Kelli Maxwell, seconded by Board Member Hap Squires to approve the Minutes for February 7, 2017.

Ayes	--	Five
Nays	--	None
Absent	--	Two – Board Member Cindy Wadsworth Board Member Jose Guardiola
Vacancy	--	One

Motion carried.

The second order of business was to welcome new board members – Grace (Desi) McElwee, Lee Davis and Hal Lance.

Head Librarian Barbara Moore introduced and welcomed Grace (Desi) McElwee, Lee Davis and Hal Lance to the Library Board. She announced that we still have one vacancy on the board to replace Maria Silva; she's been very busy with her grandkids and is not in town as often as she used to be. She informed the Board that we need to discuss officers at the next meeting and asked them to start thinking about it. Interim City Administrator/City Secretary Dora V. Rodriguez advised that the Board would be able to take action on appointing the new officers.

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The third order of business was Staff Updates.

Head Librarian Barbara Moore informed the Board that our newest employee is Stacy Pyron who works 20 hours per week. Stacy is a Devine native. She is a business woman and owns a quilt shop with her husband and family in Castroville. She also happens to be a TV Personality; she's been on SA Live several times and does a sewing segment for them. Barbara spoke of Stacy's very unique sense of style in dressing, which the kids love.

Head Librarian Barbara Moore mentioned that two of her previous employees, Eva Smith and Bonnie Manning are both pregnant and about to have their babies very soon.

The fourth order of business was an update on WiFi by Dora V. Rodriguez and James Evans.

Mr. James Evans, the City's IT Consultant, addressed the Board. He reported that we've installed a system called NetNanny which blocks anything having to do with profanity, mostly nudity. We had over 200 hits in the last 30 days and he explained that these are direct links to private accounts with amateur pornography. He said this system is similar to what the school uses; ours is a cheaper filter but it is definitely doing its job.

Board members Kelli Maxwell and Grace (Desi) McElwee both were in support of NetNanny but expressed their concerns with not having Wifi at the Library. They feel that it is an educational necessity for our citizens, especially for college students who rely on the internet for their assignments, and felt that this is a disservice to the Library.

Lengthy discussion was held between Board Member Kelli Maxwell and James Evans. According to Mr. Evans, Wifi is an option but it's going to be very costly – around \$5,000 for the device and approximately another \$5,000 to \$10,000 to set it up, plus the cost to monitor it. Board Member Kelli Maxwell commented that this is not a money issue, it is a location issue.

Board Member Hap Squires felt that the City or School should provide a Wifi location, and said that it doesn't have to be at the Library.

Interim City Administrator/City Secretary Dora V. Rodriguez informed the Board that the City Council is not in support of Wifi and they do not want it in the parking lot, but said that she will go ahead and ask Council more questions since they are currently working on budget amendments which won't be final until the end of September, and she can let Barbara know later.

The fifth order of business was the Summer Reading Program Updates.

Head Librarian Barbara Moore gave the following updates:

- Movies - The Library has had a very good turnout with movies showing each week this summer through August. These are for families.
- Happy Tails – This is a mobile petting zoo program for families which brought in a large crowd.
- Build a Better World – We did two weeks of fun activities for the kids to build and interact. These are STEM activities based on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

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- Mad Science – This will be tomorrow, July 26th. A company out of San Antonio will come in and do science experiments using the STEM criteria, with the kids participating. It is anticipated to have a very good attendance as well. This was a last minute addition to our summer programs which was made possible thanks to Mr. Bobby Rangel out of Natalia who made a huge donation to the Library.
- Aviation Exploration Program – This was supposed to be geared for grades 4th thru 6th. Officer Clint Schmelzer, who loves aviation and rocket technology, volunteered to help and he created and one-day program at the community center and two field trips. The first trip was to the Airport but it wasn't well attended because it wasn't exclusive to 4th, 5th and 6th graders. The second trip was to the Shooting Star Museum which was attended by approximately 38 people; this included families.
- Teen Game Night – This included some board games but have not had much participation with this program so we may consider discontinuing it after giving it one more try.
- Night of Many Colors – This is a program for adult coloring, with no kids around, allowing them time to relax. However, we haven't had much response; we've only had 2-3 people coming in on a regular basis.

The sixth order of business was the Friends Update.

Head Librarian Barbara Moore reported that the Friends of the Library is a small group but they're trying to become more active, especially with the Summer Reading Program. They've had several fundraisers, such as a Fall Fun Day combined with a Pumpkin Decorating Contest, a Raffle, and a Gingerbread Contest which may have to be discontinued in December. The Friends might possibly be looking at something to do in the spring.

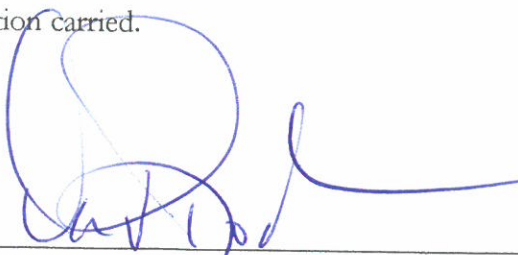
The seventh order of business was Informational Items.

There were no informational items at this time.

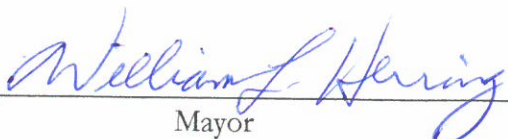
There being no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Board Member Lee Davis, seconded by Board Member Kelli Maxwell to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes	--	Five
Nays	--	None
Absent	--	Two – Board Member Cindy Wadsworth Board Member Jose Guardiola
Vacancy	--	One

Motion carried.



City Secretary



Mayor