

## **Library Advisory Board Meeting**

Tuesday, April 12, 2016  
Boyce Ditto Public Library  
2300 SE Martin Luther King, Jr. St.  
Mineral Wells, TX 76067  
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Attending: Troy Stone (Chairman), Palin Bree (Library Manager), Fred Danforth, Mary Alyce Buckner (F.O.L.), Gerald Warfield, Nelda Glover, Marilyn Rhodes, Janice Ellis (Archival and Digitization Committee), Jeri Calcote. Not in attendance: Elizabeth O'Quin, Lorraine Crutcher, Darleen Garrett, King Hayes, Coralee Beasley

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm by Chairman Troy Stone. The minutes from the February 9, 2016, meeting were approved with a motion by Fred Danforth, seconded by Marilyn Rhodes, and a unanimous vote.

Janice Ellis reported on work by the Archival and Digitization Committee. She said they now have a computer available and the committee will meet later this month to organize tasks. Coralee Beasley and Sarah Patterson are new members. A grant from the Brazos Foundation will purchase another computer and scanner to use. Ellis said the Zytron machine screen was scratched while in storage, but the city's insurance should cover a replacement soon.

Mary Alyce Buckner reported for the Friends of the Library. She said the Sunday, April 10, Open House for the library brought in a steady stream of visitors, though not as many as hoped.

The F.O.L. will host their annual spring book sale April 15-16 and arrangements are being made for the transfer of books in storage at the Center of Life to the library for the sale. Buckner said the sale will also feature a silent auction of new local history books. The group also purchased two more short tables for the library to be used for the sale and other activities as well.

The Friends will host a Staff Appreciation Luncheon Monday, May 9, when the library is closed so staff can attend. It will be @ Clark Gardens and include a walking tour afterwards. The group will cover staff admission to the gardens, but others who would like to attend must pay the \$5 fee. They will meet @ 11 a.m. with lunch being served @ 11:30 am, followed by the tour.

The Friends group, along with the local Study Club and the Boyce Ditto Library Foundation, donated furniture to the library for the recent renovations.

Palin Bree gave the Library Manager's report. She said attendance since the re-opening is slowly growing as regular patrons return. The teen group has been the slowest to return, she said, as visitors from that population aren't up to previous attendance levels. She expects library visits to return to normal attendance numbers soon.

James Pylant will host a DNA & Genealogy program at the library Monday, May 16, @ 6:30 to discuss DNA tests on the market and what genealogists can expect to learn from them.

Summer reading registration is right around the corner, beginning June 1. Bree said contracts are already in place for scheduled entertainers. The plans for this year are simple, but fun.

Nelda Glover made a motion to adjourn and Troy Stone seconded the motion. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.