

Library Advisory Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 10, 2018
Boyce Ditto Public Library
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Attending: Troy Stone (Chairman), King Hayes, Gerald Warfield, Coralee Beasley, Jeri Calcote, Lori Schmidtke, Nelda Glover, Katie Perricone, Mary Alyce Buckner, City Manager Lance Howerton, and Library Manager Louanne Noel.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by Chairman Troy Stone. The minutes from the March meeting were approved.

Chairman Stone introduced our new board member, Katie Perricone. The other new board member is Christiana Rodriguez-Lazo who did not attend.

Mr. Stone explained the Archival and Digitization Committee's work in organizing, scanning and uploading yearbooks, newspapers and photographs to the Portal of Texas History web site and the library's folders for Palo Pinto County, the A. F. Weaver collection and Fort Wolters.

Mr. Howerton said the city has authorized an Austin firm to do a historical survey of downtown and surrounding areas in preparation for establishing a National Register Historic District. The firm has used some of the historical resources the library has provided through the Portal and he wanted the committee to know how useful the uploaded items are to the firm's work.

Mary Alyce Buckner said the Friends of the Library will host the Staff Appreciation Luncheon in Clark Gardens @ 11:30 am Monday, April 23. She provided maps for those wishing to attend. The Friends group will also host a community reception from 2-4 Monday, April 30 in the library's community room to welcome and introduce Ms. Noel. She said this would be posted on the Friends' Facebook group page and asked board members to share it to help publicize the event. The group is also working on another small grant.

Ms. Noel provided her Manager's Report and said she is continuing staff training on customer service. She is working on policies concerning use of the meeting

room, public conduct and rights of others, as well as looking into offering test proctoring for various testing agencies. She also met with the Center of Life about future collaborations on their programs. She said New York Times best seller lists are being posted and patrons can place holds for access through the library's interlibrary loan program. She discussed recent successful teen activities in the library and showed a video clip of a trivia contest. She is proud of her staff and the progress of their work.

In old business, Lori Schmidtke reported on her continuing efforts for Imagination Library funding.

The board adjourned at 7:32 pm.