

CITY OF MANSFIELD

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Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, September 9, 2009

6:00 PM

Community Room

Mansfield Public Library Advisory Board

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Suzonne Evans called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Members present: Suzonne Evans, Kelly Campbell, Sherri Chambers, Janice Knight, Cindy Gray, Jason Miller and ex-officio member Paula Highfill.

Members Absent: Judy Lee

Library staff present: City Librarian Steve Standefer and Recorder Geneva Combest.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2009 meeting as written was made by Kelly Campbell, seconded by Sherri Chambers. The motion passed 6 – 0.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Bobby Quinten, who is waiting his appointment by City Council, to the Library Advisory Board thanked the board for the invitation to attend the meeting and was introduced to the board members he had not met.

4. CITY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Friends of the Library report. Friends President Paula Highfill mentioned that a membership drive will be on-going during the week of October 18 thru 24, which is National Friends of the Library Week. There will be a membership drive table set up in the Library during that time but there will not be any major activities at that time.

Ms. Highfill invited all Board members to come to the next Mansfield Reads! meeting, September 15, 2009 at 5 p.m. in the Community Room at the Library. They are going to narrow the choice of books and authors for the 2010 Mansfield Reads! event.

City Council Meeting 9/14 – Awards and Board appointments. The City Council has decided to appoint members to all city boards and commissions on the same night. The date is September 28, 2009. Mr. Standefer told board members he didn't feel a need for them to be present as it is most times late into the night before this part of the agenda is covered. The date for the awards and resolutions has been changed also. The new date is October 12, 2009 at the City Council meeting at 7 p.m. Mr. Standefer asked for all who can to attend along with some of the Library staff. On that night there will be the resolution from the City Council for National Friends of the Library week October 18 thru 24. TML's Excellence in Libraries award will be presented to the Library at the same meeting.

Downloadable audio books. Due to technical difficulties with the library's Athena ILS, the vendor for the downloadable audio books has been changed back to the original one, even though it has limitations. It is expected that downloadable audios will be available again by the end of September.

FY 2010 Budget. Mr. Standefer reported that the FY 2010 budget has been approved and reviewed some changes regarding collections and services. Staff are being asked to be more flexible also, with librarians bearing some of the technical and clerical load.

The changes to the budget for the Library were explained and questions answered by Mr. Standefer. Support and understanding for the changes were voiced by the board members. A budget report will be ready for the next meeting so members can compare numbers with previous years.

Next meeting: The next Advisory Board meeting will be October 14, 2009 at 6 p.m. in the Community Room of the Mansfield Public Library.

5. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Retiring member Jason Miller thanked the Board for 4 good years and said he would be seeing them at the Library. Board members thanked Jason for all his efforts toward the board.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

All meetings of the Mansfield Public Library Advisory Board and its committees are open to the public.

I certify that this agenda was posted at the main entrance and on the web site of the Mansfield Public Library by 5:00 p.m., September 4, 2009 , in accordance with City policy.

Steven R. Standefer, MLS
City Librarian