

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES  
OF A REGULAR MEETING

KERRVILLE, TEXAS  
August 19, 2014

On Tuesday, August 19, 2014, the Library Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Chairperson Judy Ward at 3:00 p.m. in the Library Meeting Room, 505 Water Street, Kerrville, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| Judy Ward         | Chairperson  |
| David Jones       | Board Member |
| Gail Brown        | Board Member |
| Jeanine Kenworthy | Board Member |

MEMBERS ABSENT:

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| Jane Smith | Board Member |
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EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| Gary Stork      | City Council Member            |
| Elizabeth Baker | Kerrville Genealogical Society |

STAFF PRESENT:

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| Laura Bechtel    | Library Director               |
| Kim Meismer      | Director of General Operations |
| Danielle Brigati | Assistant Library Director     |
| Cate Schulenberg | Recording Secretary            |

VISITORS PRESENT:

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| Tom Moser       | County Commissioner |
| Harriet Chesi   |                     |
| Nina Dalla      |                     |
| Deborah Gaudier |                     |
| Mary Overton    |                     |
| Marilyn Talbot  |                     |

**1. VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM:**

None.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

2A. Approval of minutes of the Library Advisory Board meeting held on July 15, 2014.

Ms. Kenworthy moved to approve the minutes; Mr. Jones seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

**3. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION:**

3A. Monthly Update by Library Director (staff)

Ms. Bechtel reported that as of August 1<sup>st</sup>, the Library had 7,716 patrons: 93% City, 6% County, and 1% from outside Kerr County. In July, 10,951 items were checked out: 63% City, 34% County, and 3% from outside Kerr County. For the Fiscal Year 14, 91,382 items have been checked out, 10,217 reference questions have been answered, 84,651 people have come through the door, 330 bags have been passed out as part of the Born to Read program, and 3,715 participated in the Summer Reading Program. Ms. Bechtel noted that Kerr County residents purchased 17 annual materials use, 2 annual computer use, 1 annual full use, and 44 temporary use cards in July. Discussion occurred regarding decreases in electronic resource use and circulation of materials.

Ms. Bechtel presented the financial statements and revenue report for the Library and History Center. Mr. Jones requested the financial statement for the renovation of the Kerr Regional History Center. Ms. Bechtel reported that the project is on schedule. Mr. Jones requested the year-to-date revenue at the end of Fiscal Year 13. Ms. Bechtel reported that total revenues and donations for Fiscal Year 13 was \$399,803.65, which included donations from trusts and estate settlements.

3B. Report on the inventory of the Kerr Regional History Center (staff)

Ms. Bechtel reported that staff is compiling a final report of the inventory performed.

3C. KGS / History Center Volunteers (Harriet Chesi)

Ms. Chesi presented the Board with a partial list of financial contributions by the Kerrville Genealogical Society and a synopsis of the Claribel Remschel Deering Trust. The Board discussed internal communications and chain of command within the Library. The Board discussed the inventory of and responsibility for the collection of the History Center. Mr. Jones requested that KGS provide a summary of statements for response.

3D. Update on Friends of the Library activities (Jane Smith)

Ms. Bechtel reported that the Friends had an excellent sale in July and raised approximately \$594. The Friends also opened the book store during the Summer Reading Awards Party and invited families to browse the store.

3E. Update on Kerrville Genealogical Society activities (Elizabeth Baker)

Ms. Baker reported that KGS is preparing for upcoming activities. Mr. Peek informed the Board that the next KGS program at the Library will be on the Texas Rangers. Mr. Stork expressed his appreciation for the public work Mr. Peek does for KGS.

3F. Next scheduled Library Advisory Board meeting – September 16, 2014

4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST**

Ms. Bechtel announced Lego Club and a Family Movie Afternoon will be held on August 26<sup>th</sup> starting at 2 PM.

Ms. Bechtel announced that the Library will be closed on Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup> for Labor Day.

Ms. Bechtel announced that Preschool Story Time will resume Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10 AM.

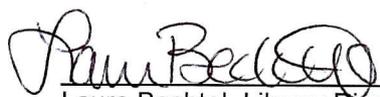
Ms. Bechtel and Ms. Meismer confirmed no changes in the fees for non-City residents.

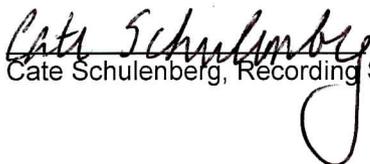
5. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Jones moved to adjourn; Ms. Kenworthy seconded. The Library Advisory Board adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

APPROVED:

  
Judy Ward, Chairperson

  
Laura Bechtel, Library Director

  
Cate Schulenberg, Recording Secretary

9/16/14  
Date minutes approved & signed