

Minutes – Melbourne Library Board

February 15, 2022

Present

- Nancy Dillen, Chairperson
- Judy Davis, Vice Chairperson
- Diane Bryant, Member
- Janet Kull, Member
- John Greaves, Member
- Brenda Reilly, Library Director, Eau Gallie Public Library
- Irma Fordham, Library Director, Melbourne, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
- Marcy Shaw, Recording Secretary

Absent

None

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 P. M., by Nancy Dillen, Chairperson.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved with the following corrections. Two verb tenses were corrected under the Eau Gallie Library report. In paragraph 3, “has” was corrected to “have”. In paragraph 5, “has” was corrected to “had”.

Public Comments

None

Unfinished Business

Letter will be submitted to County Board next month for proposed expansion of the library.

New Business

None

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Directors' Report

Eau Gallie Library

Brenda gave an update on the 2 library aide positions. 1 position has been filled and the new person will start in Circulation on February 20th. The other position will be re-posted.

Our air handler replacement work is still being considered and bids by contractors are still coming in.

Assets Management has been here 3 separate time to remove old metal shelving and chairs.

Programs: We had a very successful program – Learn to Write Your Story held on January 29th. 25 people attended. The gentleman who conducts the program will be back on April 30 to do the same program again.

Eau Gallie Square Peace Pole dedication will be February 23rd at 11:30 A. M. This is partly through the Rotary Club. The library is helping in terms of doing flyers and bookmarks. We also have some new butterfly books at the library.

Next blood drive here at the EGPL is March 9th. One-Blood will be here with the big red bus from 10-3.

Book sale by Friends of the Library will be in the main part of library from Thursday, March 10 through Saturday March 12 from 9-4.

County wide aquarium Artwalk project being built. It will be built in Cape Canaveral. There will be 18 different location in the county from Mims down to Melbourne Shores. 50 Space Coast area artists will be displaying aquarium themed art. The artwork will be displayed at several county libraries including Eau Gallie. In addition to the artwork, there will be 2 quilts displayed at the Eau Gallie Library.

Melbourne Public Library

Irma said the library has selected a full time Library Assistant II. We still have two open positions which we posted yesterday. A library aide position and a library assistant I position. After that we will be fully staffed.

We decided to have a book sale this year and it will be held Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, February 24, 25, and 26 from 9 A. M. to 4:45 P. M. and Sunday, February 27, from 1:00 – 4:45 P. M.

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Lisa Montgomery – Community Support Advocate is at our Melbourne Library as well as DeGroot and Titusville. She takes walk-ins and appointments. She is able to help with housing and any other social issues which she can help/refer people. She is at the Melbourne Library on Wednesdays 10 A. M. to 6P. M.

The Community Support Advocate is working out very well for us and is a much needed service.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Public Library

We are having a weekly raffle for Black History Month. We are raffling off a little package with a book and a candy bar for kid's books, teen book, and an adult book. So far, we have had 46 entries.

Tax preparation started on the 4th and they are there Monday through Friday from 9 A. M. to 3 P. M. 15 have been helped so far.

We have a new library aide starting tomorrow.

Other Business

The Eau Gallie Beautification project was briefing discussed. Sharon Dwyer had sent an email expressing concern about the plan for a sidewalk from the street to the pier which would take up several parking spaces at the library. If the library expansion is approved, the parking concerns will be moot since the lot will be re-designed.

Announcements

None

Next Meeting Date and Adjournment

Next Library Board meeting will be on Tuesday March 15, 2022 at 3:00 P. M. at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Public Library and the County Library Board on Thursday, March 17, 2022 at 10:00 A. M. will be at the Melbourne Public Library.

The meeting adjourned at 3.26 P. M.

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s/Nancy Dillen
Board Chairperson

s/Marcy Shaw
Recording Secretary