

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD ADOPTED MINUTES

April 29, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

Members Present:

C. Sean Loosier, Chair, Jeanine Ellenson Vice-Chair, Sheba West, Christine Trevett, Raven Arscott

Absent: Rosemary Closson

Staff: Christine Patten, Library Services Division Manager, Kathi Efland, Public Services Manager, Richard Dur Director of Parks and Recreation

1. Mr. Loosier called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. and noted that there was a quorum for the April 29, 2024, Library Advisory Board Meeting. The motion was made to accept the official minutes from March 18, 2024, by Mr. Loosier which was seconded by Ms. Ellenson and approved by unanimous vote.
2. Mr. Rick Durr, Leisure Services Department Director attended and made a presentation to the Library Advisory Board about positive discussions about library projects and potential for expansion. There is interest by some Commissioners for dedicated funding for the library. Since the new county manager and team were hired, many deferred maintenance issues at the library are being addressed. The one penny sales tax and proposed projects will be on the Board of County Commissioners agenda June 11, 2024.
3. Ms. Patten informed the Library Advisory Board about Sara White, Senior Librarian and Seminole County Public Library winning the Betty Davis Miller Award for an outstanding teen program using cosplay workshops to build library attendance by teens.
4. Mr. Loosier and Library Advisory Board members discussed dedicated funding for the library, creating a foundation to fund raise and receive donations, and concerns with the library's webpage.
5. Library Advisory Board members discussed the frequency of the Library Advisory Board meetings. Mr. Loosier met with Commissioner Herr and discussed meeting frequency and other issues. The Library Advisory Board meeting frequency is stipulated in the County Administrative Code, Section 4.20 B. Library Advisory Board, Duties and Responsibilities, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners, to meet monthly. It is necessary several times per year to meet on another date rather than the last Monday of the month due to Monday holidays. The Library Advisory Board for many years has held a combined November/December meeting due to absences and travel around the holidays.
6. Good of the Order: Due to the Memorial Day Holiday, the Library Advisory Board will meet on the Monday of the preceding week, May 20th.
7. The next Library Advisory Board meeting will be May 20, 2024, in the gallery at the Central Branch.
Adjournment 6:28 PM