CITY OF FREEPORT Library Board Meeting Minutes January 3rd, 2012

The Board of the Freeport Library met on January 3rd 2012, with the following persons present:

Rita Angel-Cundieff Lila Lloyd June Strambler Cindy Yell, Branch Manager Catherine Threadgill,

James Walker Margie Edwards County Librarian

Call to Order

Rita Angel-Cundieff called the meeting to order at 4:55 p.m.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved with the following correction: Margaret Edwards should be Margie Edwards.

Appointment of New Secretary

There was discussion on the appointment of a new board secretary. Rita Angel-Cundieff made a motion to appoint June Strambler as the Freeport Library Board Secretary. The Board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

Branch Manager's Report

Cindy Yell presented her report. See Attachment 1.

County Librarian's Report

Catherine Threadgill reported that several county libraries are currently rotating branch managers. They are Clute/Danbury switch; Sweeny/West Columbia switch: and Angleton/Alvin switch. The switches will be for 6 month period of time. The switch starts January 9, 2012 with a purpose of broadening the branch managers work experience.

The County Library System is holding a book sale January 26, 27, 28 in Angleton. Volunteers are needed for those 3 days plus the clean-up on January 30th.

The County Library Foundation's author dinner is March 29, 2012. Margie Edwards will receive tickets to be sold in February, 2012.

Credit card payments for fines, lost books, etc will be accepted beginning February 1, 2012. A charge (not paid to the County) will be assessed: fines up to \$66 will have a \$2.00 processing fee. For payments of fines over \$66, 3% of total fine is charged.

Old Business

A meeting with Mr. Pynes for Thursday, January 5th at 2:00 to discuss the Freeport branch roof leak. Pictures of collapsed ceiling tiles will be presented. Also it will be mentioned that Pearland and Clute libraries had roof failures; the cost of mold remediation will also be discussed. Any board member is free to attend.

New Business

Mrs. Lloyd stated that The Library Board members could ask to be put on the City Council Agenda at the City Council meetings. We could also ask to be included in the City's Budget meetings.

The Board needs to check to see who is the liaison from the City Council to the Library Board.

Cost of mold remediation is 50/50 to the City of Freeport and Brazoria County. Cost of total replacement of roof should include the value of books, equipment, and pictures. Also the inconvenience to library patrons if the library is closed for an extended period of time.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Submitted by

June Strambler Secretary