CITY OF FREEPORT

COUNTY OF BRAZORIA

STATE OF TEXAS

The Board of the Freeport branch of the Brazoria County Library System met on Tuesday October 5, 2010 at the Freeport Library with the following persons present:

Rita Cundieff

Marge Janke-librarian

June Strambler

Laverne Seimers

Nancy Hughes

Cathy Threadgill, Brazoria County Library Systems Manager

CALL TO ORDER

June Strambler, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 4:55 p.m.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Minutes of the July 13, 2010 meeting were read and corrected. Space has been provided for pick-up and delivery of Alvin library books at Alvin Community College, as well as space for limited programs, programming (instead of all of which) will end with the fall semester due to lack of space.

BRANCH MANAGER'S REPORT

Branch manager's report was read. The summer reading programs brought many children and adults to our library. A good time was had by all. Please see the attachment.

COUNTY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The Alvin library is moving along and is now clean from fire damage. Bids have been received for repairs and the library hopes to open by April 2011. Pearland Westside library is very busy, but is facing some difficulty with their Friends. The issues with the Friends of the library are being dealt with and hope to be resolved soon.

The internet survey was completed and will be compiled with other reports to create a long range plan. TLA legislation day is February 16th and would like any support possible. Although the state did get cuts which affected the county budget, no positions were lost and everyone received a 3% raise. Inventory of all county property including items such as scissors, tape dispensers, staplers, computers, etc. must be completed due to the fire and the insurance claim that asks for a detailed list of items lost in the fire. The author dinner will be March 29, 2011 in Angleton, but the location is still unknown. The authors will be 3 women who wrote The Giant Under the Hill.

FREEPORT'S COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER'S REPORT

Margie Edwards was not in attendance, but information was covered in county librarian's report.

NEW BUSINESS

Early voting will be held at library from Oct. 18-Oct. 29th. Two adult programs have been scheduled for November, holiday cooking on a budget and homemade food gifts. See attached.

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting date will be January 4, 2011 at 4:45 p.m. in the staff lunchroom at the library. Adjournment was at 5:25 p.m.

Margie Edwards Secretary

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June Strambler, Chairperson

Branch Manager's Report Freeport Library Board October 5, 2010

Two library-sponsored programs were held in August, and who knew digging in the dirt could be so much fun. Twelve young adults and a few parents enjoyed making terrariums. Each one was different and unique. Thank-you to our Friends for supplying everything for this program. Extension agent, Delia Hernandez, presented a program, cooking healthy on a budget while Paula Craig worked with the children and had them create their own fruit bouquet.

Family Feud Night was a fun evening at the library. Just like the television program, adults and children provided the top answers, and all participants left with prizes of school supplies. A light supper of Frito pies was also provided. Again, thanks to our Friends for making this program possible.

Funds from the Library Foundation will be purchasing a children's computer for the library.

Rebecca is planning a fall festival for the children, October 28 at 5:30 p.m.

The library participated in the summer jobs for youth program. Alexis Castaneda's last day was September 30, and she helped us in many different ways.

The Friends had their annual author day, August 29. Mystery author, David Rosenfelt, presented a humorous talk about his early career, his life as an author, and his mission of rescuing dogs. Fifty people attended the event

The city has asked us to participate in Holiday on the Brazos, December 2. We will have a make and take craft for the children.

The Friends are planning their annual Craft Day with Mrs. Claus scheduled for December 11 at 10 a.m.

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Early voting will take place October 18 through October 29.

Two adult programs will be held in November. Delia Hernandez, county extension agent for the Better Living for Texans program, will present Holiday Cooking on a Budget and Homemade Food Gifts on November 4 at 10:15 a.m. Learn to make fleece pillows and throws will also be offered at a date to be determined.

Meetings for 2011

January 4
April 5
July 5
October 4