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The Board of the Freeport branch of the Brazoria County Library System met on July 13, 2010 at the Freeport Library with the following persons present:

June Strambler	Nancy Hughes
Joyce Girouard	Laverne Seimers
Margie Edwards	Marge Janke, Freeport Librarian
Cathy Threadgill, Brazoria County Library Systems Manager	

CALL TO ORDER

June Strambler, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 4:50 P.M.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Minutes of the April 6, 2010 meeting were read and corrected. Member James Walker was listed in attendance as John Walker.

BRANCH MANAGER'S REPORT

Marge Janke reported that in June the Summer Reading Program brought 429 children and adults into the library. All programs were well attended except for one day of heavy rain. There was something for all ages. Please see attachment No. 1.

The annual Family Feud Game will be held on August 12, 2010 at 6:00 P.M. in the library meeting room. Prizes will be school supplies.

COUNTY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

All of the Alvin library books have been cleaned of mold and smoke and the computers have been cleaned. All have been stored in a climate controlled room until the library building clean-up is completed. All office and art supplies were lost. The alarm did not go off but appears to have been the result of an electrical short-circuit, cause unknown. Plastic drapes, put up to protect books and equipment during the mold remediation, melted and dripped on the carpet during the fire. The burning plastic caused a lot of dense smoke, also. Space has been provided for pick-up and delivery of Alvin library books at Alvin Community College, as well as space for limited programs, all of which will end with the beginning of the fall semester due to lack of space.

The Inter Library Loan (ILL) function of the new Polaris system is now automated and many other functions are much easier and consume less time for employees.

FREEPORT'S COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER'S REPORT

Margie Edwards reported that the County Library Foundation's "Dinner With the Author" was a success. Next year, three ladies from the Beaumont area, who wrote THE GIANT UNDER THE HILL, the behind the scenes story of the drilling of the Spindletop oil well in 1901, will present the program, date to be announced later. Proceeds from the evening will fund equipment, software and other items, not covered by county budget funds, for each of the eleven libraries in the Brazoria County Library System.

A public Long Range Planning meeting will be held Wednesday, September 1, 2010 at the Freeport library meeting room at 6:30 P. M. Long Range Plans are required every five years. The present plan expires June, 2011. Meetings for each library area are being held

The state library budget may be cut by as much as 15% this year. Grants will also be cut because of fund shortages. No cuts have yet been announced for the Brazoria County Library Budget.

The County Library's book sale will begin with set-up on Thursday, July 29, 2010 at 9:00 A. M. at the Angleton Library's meeting room. Selling will be from 6:00 P.M. until 8:00 and continue Friday and Saturday, from 9 A. M. until 6:00 P. M. each day. Clean up will begin at 8:00 A. M. on Monday, August 1. Volunteers are needed for two hour segments on Thursday and Friday. Sign-up sheets will be available at each library.

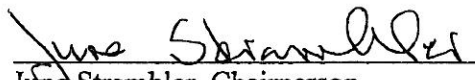
NEW BUSINESS

Marge Janke reported that Freeport Library's "Author Day" will be Sunday, August 29, 2010 at 2:00 P. M. at the library. David Rosenfeld, who writes mysteries, will be the guest speaker. The program is free and refreshments will be served.

ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting date will be Tuesday, October 5, 2010 at 4:45 P. M. in the staff lunchroom at the library. Adjournment was at 5:30 P. M.


Margie Edwards, Secretary


June Strambler, Chairperson

Freeport Library Board minutes for July 13, 2010, Attachment 1

Branch Manager's report for July 13, 2010 meeting

Summer Reading

The June story times and programs brought a total of 429 children and adults to the library. 168 children registered in June and pledged to read 10 books. The programs have been well-attended, and the library has had programs for everyone, Jungle Jack, Gross Grub, Ronald McDonald, Trains, Planes and Lots of Fun, Alligators, Snakes, Turtles, and a Zumba class.

The July programs are as follows: Flower Pot Friends, Puppet Pizzazz, Wild in the City, Fun and Games, Beary Good Manners, Domino's Pizza Program, and Christmas in July.

Two programs are scheduled for August, Make a Terrarium and Family Feud. The library has tried to offer something for everyone this summer.

Scanner

Thank you to the Friends for funding a scanner for the library.

McNaughton Request

In the 2011 city budget, I have asked for \$8,640 for our McNaughton leased books.

City Purchases

The city purchased two computer stools for our public stations. They have also had the upholstery on all the chairs cleaned and will have the carpet professionally cleaned August 27.

Family Feud Night

Family Feud Night has been scheduled for August 12 at 6 p.m. All participants will receive school supplies as prizes.

New Business:

The Friends of the Freeport Library's annual author day will be held Sunday, August 29 at 2 p.m. The author is mystery writer David Rosenfelt.

Long Range Plan meeting for the Freeport Library is scheduled for September 1 at 6:30 p.m. Anyone is welcome to come and express their views and opinions. The board is encouraged to participate.

Next board meeting: October 5 at 4:45 p.m.