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CITY OF BEDFORD §

The Library Board of the City of Bedford, Texas, met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the Library, 2424 Forest Ridge Drive on the 17th day of April 2013 to review items on the regular agenda and to hear staff reports, with the following members present, constituting a quorum:

**Present:**

Deborah Allbach  
Ron Boyer  
Jennefer Campbell  
Susan Hampton  
Karen Kersey  
Lori Irvin  
Scott Probasco  
Helene Ray  
Brenda Roche

**Excused Absence:**

**Also Present:**

Councilman Brown  
Sarah Featherstone  
Maria Redburn

(The following items were considered in accordance with the official agenda posted on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2013.)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Scott Probasco called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Consider approval of the following Library Board minutes: February 20, 2013 regular session and March 20, 2013 regular session.

The minutes were unanimously APPROVED.

1<sup>st</sup> by Board Member Campbell

2<sup>nd</sup> by Board Member Kersey

**NEW BUSINESS**

2. Discussion and possible action on Internet and Public Access Computer Policy.

- The increasing issue of pornographic viewing on the library computers has led to numerous complaints by library patrons. Maria Redburn reported on the installation of a filtering device to block access to pornography. She is seeking consensus for continued

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use of the filtering software. After a discussion regarding concerns and censorship a motion was made by Deborah Allbach that the Board recommend the continued use of the filtering software. The motion was seconded by Susan Hampton. By a show of hands the motion passed with 7 in agreement and 2 opposed.

- The Internet and Public Access Computer Policy was discussed with numerous recommendations made to increase clarity. The Policy will be revised and reviewed at the May Library Advisory Board meeting.

**3. Discussion of upcoming HEB ISD Kindergarten Kick-off on May 6.**

Various members agreed to man library tables at Kindergarten Kick-off on May 6 at 6:30 p.m. Library staff will also be recruited to cover all schools. Suggested literature for distribution was: Summer Reading Club, Ready for Kindergarten, Read to Rover, a flyer with a Quick Response code, Tumble eBooks, how to get a library card, and library hours.

Meadow Creek: Helene Ray

Shady Brook: Karen Kersey and Scott Probasco

Bedford Heights: Debby Allbach and Ron Boyer

Stonegate:

Bell Manor: Maria Redburn

Spring Garden:

**4. Review and discussion on Library Satisfaction Survey results.**

Statistical results for questions 1-5 were discussed. Written comments were distributed for review after the meeting. Comments may be reviewed at the May meeting.

**5. Discussion and possible action on Mission Statement for Library.**

There was agreement that staff input is necessary prior to any final decision. A recommendation was made to narrow the list presented, gather input from staff, and present a "short List" to the Board at the May meeting. Support was expressed to narrow the potentials to 2-3 and let the staff and/or patrons vote to determine the revised mission statement.

**REPORTS**

**Discussion and distribution of Library Manager's Report.**

- Mrs. Redburn announced she would be rotating librarians at each Board meeting.
- The Library Manager's Report was distributed for review.
- The Statistical Report was distributed. Questions were raised regarding the number of catalogue searches, which was verified as correct by the staff. The volunteer hours were elevated in February and March due to the Gala and Seuss Festival. Numbers will be rechecked and an update issued.

**NEXT MEETING**

6. The next meeting of the Library Advisory Board will be Wednesday, May 15, 2013.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. by Scott Probasco.

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1<sup>st</sup> by Board Member Boyer  
2<sup>nd</sup> by Board Member Rouche

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**Deborah Allbach, Board Secretary  
Bedford Public Library Advisory Board**