

**Moore Memorial Public Library Board of Trustees  
Minutes**

Aug.26, 2013

Present: William Johnson, Barbara Briney, Clara Irby, Shirley Mapps, JoAnn Hackbarth, Mary Ann Reed, Sara Moreno, Beth Ryker Steiner

Absent: Arcadio Rodriguez, Hallie Ketchum

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. Minutes from the June 24 meeting of the Library Board were approved as written.

Library Director Beth Ryker Steiner reported:

1. The library has completed its FY2014 Budget workshop. The City Commission is in the process of considering the FY 2014 budget, and there should be an approved budget by Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>.
2. Galveston County Commissioners are currently considering the FY 2015 budget. There has been no word on how the hearings are going for the Galveston County Library System funding.
3. Internet speed for the wired Internet at the Library is scheduled to be greatly increased in July.
4. The invoice for the use of the TExpress Courier service has been received, and, as expected, costs have gone up a moderate amount. Once again this year, there is a partial subsidy through the Texas State Library and Archives Commission, using federal LSTA funds.
5. Invoices for TexShare databases have also been received. There has been a slight increase in cost to the individual libraries, but the Texas State Library & Archives Commission continues to underwrite the majority of the costs of these databases. Several new databases, including Small Engine Repair and Learning Express, have been added to the collection subscription for this year.
6. Summer reading programs were very successful and the library has put up pictures of Sir Read-a-lot 2013 on the Facebook feed on the Library website. Beth thanked the Board members for their participation and support in making these programs so successfully.

There was no old business.

Events for Texas City Reads 2013 have been scheduled for late September and early October. The book selected for this year is Caleb's Crossing by Geraldine Brooks. Extra copies of the book have been received and are available at the Circulation desk for checkout. Publicity on the events has begun. Beth invited the Board members to attend both events. The public forum with a moderated, discussion panel of experts, for this year will be on Tuesday Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m at the Nessler Center in the Alamo Room. The book discussion will be held in the Holland meeting room at 6:30 on Tuesday October 1. The Friends of the Library will provide refreshments for both events.

The Library will be delivering a full slate of Adult programs during this fall semester. Publicity has begun and Board members were invited to attend. Children's and teen programs will also start back up in early September.

Beth reminded Board members that the Mayor would be filling Library Board vacancies and had requested to know which Board members whose terms of office would expire on Sept. 30, 2013 would be willing to serve another term. Mary Ann Reed requested that someone else be appointed to fill out her term, as she had served for many, many years on the Library Board. Beth will check with Board members and notify Mayor Doyle of the results.

The meeting was adjourned about 4:20 p.m. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 28, 2013 at 4 pm in the Holland Meeting room.