

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

April 28, 2014

Present: Hallie Ketchum, Clara Irby, Barbara Briney, Bettie Rac, Arcadio Rodriguez, William Johnson, JoAnn Hackbarth, Beth Ryker Steiner

Absent: Sara Moreno, Shirley Mapps

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. Minutes from the Feb. 24, 2014 meeting of the Library Board were approved as written.

Library Director Beth Ryker Steiner reported:

1. The Library will be over budget on building maintenance and probably, system maintenance for the Sirsi/Dynix system. Sewer issues, electrical issues, problems with the front doors, and maintenance costs on the restrooms and carpet will result in higher spending in these areas.
2. Melanie Angel, a PT shelver, has been hired to take the position of Tiffani Redfield who moved out of the area .
3. New chairs and tables for the adult open areas are being purchased. This furniture should have a smaller footprint and be more flexible in placement. This should help with the seating crunch and help with the crowded floor space.
4. The electrical system in the library is being evaluated for capacity. There is great demand for plug-in capability for laptops and cell phones. Currently the library has no capability to allow this usage in the library.
5. Library professional staff have completed the EDGE strategic planning sessions on technology in the library. There are a number of tasks/items being considered. This is part of a national effort, sponsored by the Gates Foundation, IMLS and accessed through partnership with the Texas State Library. One change which will become effective May 1<sup>st</sup> is the increase in the minimum guaranteed session length on the computer workstations of one hour, instead of the current 30 minutes.

JoAnn Hackbarth moved, and Barbara Briney seconded, the motion to approve the amended Policy for the Use of Display Cases and Bulletin Boards. Since the Library no longer has display cases, the Policy was retitled Policy on Use of Bulletin Boards. This amended policy will be presented to the Texas City Commission later this year.

Beth gave a brief overview of the 2014 Summer Reading Program, and asked all Board members to talk about the program to others with whom they come in contact, and to participate, especially in the Independent Reading portion. Summer program information is already out to the public and available both in print and through the website. Outreach publicity efforts for the summer programs will start in early May.

Beth gave a brief overview of the proposed changes in minimum requirements for accreditation being considered by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. Proposed changes do not appear to impact Moore Memorial Library very much.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 p.m. The next scheduled Board meeting is June 23, 2014 at 4 pm.