

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

February 23, 2015

Present: Bill Johnson, Clara Irby, Bridget Buffa, Shirley Mapps, Hallie Ketchum, Barbara Briney, JoAnn Hackbarth, Beth Ryker Steiner. Also present were Mr. Henry Gomez and Nick Finan.

Absent: Sara Moreno, Bette Rac (telephone vote on the Strategic Plan delivered)

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. Minutes from the Dec. 15, 2014 meeting of the Library Board were approved as written.

Library Director Beth Ryker Steiner reported:

1. Library operations are going well and the library building is busy. Tax assistance at the Library is in full swing. Tax forms are available only online this year.
2. Replacements for the two part-time shelver positions have been hired and are now working at the library. The Computer System Technician position is still vacant, but discussions are being held with City officials about an alternate way to obtain these skills.
3. Moore Memorial Library has received reimbursement of over \$19,000 for net lending of materials to Texas Libraries last year. Those funds will be used to supplement purchases of eBook materials.
4. The I Love my Library program ends February 28th, and has had much stronger participation than expected. Patrons have been very positive and enthusiastic about the program.
5. During the month of March, a survey on library services will be available online and in print at the library. The library is encouraging all patrons and community members to participate.
6. Work on rebuilding the pumphouse motors, which control the library's HVAC system, are expected to resume in late February if the weather cooperates. The goal is to have that work completely redone before weather becomes warm again.

Barbara Briney moved, and Hallie Ketchum seconded a motion to approve the Moore Memorial Public Library Strategic Plan (October 1, 2015 through Sept. 30, 2018). The motion passed unanimously. The Strategic Plan will now go to the City Commission for consideration .

Bill Johnson reported on the Friends of the Library annual meeting which was held on January 12, 2015 at 6 pm in the Holland meeting room at the Library. The keynote speaker was Mayor Matt Doyle, and the Library Director gave a State-of-the-Library

address. Mr. Johnson reported that attendees seemed to really enjoy the meeting and welcomed the information they received.

Beth indicated that FY 2016 budget figures were already being developed within the Galveston County Library System. Beth anticipates starting Texas City FY 2016 budget preparations for the library in March.

.The meeting was adjourned at 4:27 p.m. The next scheduled Board meeting is Monday April 27, 2015 at 4 pm in the Library's Holland meeting room.