

**PALM SPRINGS LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2011
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Board Members Paul Harding, George Waller, Helene Baggett and Michelle Dunlap

Library Director Elena Romeo

Administrative Assistant Karen Hoffecker

Approval of Agenda

George made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Helene seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Minutes

Helene moved to approve the minutes of the November 16th meeting. Michelle seconded the motion; motion carried.

Library Director's Report

Statistics- Increase in Use

We are still experiencing an increase in library use due to the closing of nearby Summit library, even though Greenacres Branch library reopened in December.

Visitors Count

In an effort to check the accuracy of our electronic people counters, Elena began an "old-time" visitor's survey in which a staff member is assigned to count each person as he or she enters the building. This survey will continue for the next two weeks or more.

Special Revenue Fund

The special revenue fund is still available for use by the library, but is no longer listed under a separate fund title. New procedures must be followed regarding its use.

Vacancies on Board

There are still two vacancies on the Library Board.

State Aid Grant

We will receive \$13,734 in state Aid. This month we received the first part of that payment. Governor Scott is cutting many programs. The future of State Aid is uncertain. An advocacy campaign will be implemented to try to save these funds.

Library Programs

AARP tax preparers held their training meetings here in the second week of January. Over 50 volunteers attended the three training sessions.

The Art in the Garden Chalk Art Program is currently being planned for April.

A Journal Craft program is scheduled for January 20th at 4:00 p.m.

Our popular Valentine's craft program is scheduled for February 7th at 3:30 p.m.

A Civil War era Clothespin Doll craft program is scheduled for February 28th at 3:30 p.m.

The Village of Palm Springs Joseph Fallon Scholarship Applications are due in by February 28th at 4:30 p.m.

The Bookmark Contest begins February 18th. Applications will be available at the circulation desk.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

There was no new business.

Friends of the Library

Several people sent in Friends of the Library dues this month.

Miscellaneous

There was no miscellaneous business.

Next Meeting

The next board meeting will be February 15th at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hoffecker
Recording Secretary