

**PALM SPRINGS LIBRARY BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 16, 2010  
MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Present: Board Members Paul Harding, Raymond Dale, Michelle Dunlap, Jayne Gardner, Milton Kraemer, and Kathleen Dunn

Council Liaison: Mayor Davis

Administrative Assistant Karen Hoffecker

**Approval of Agenda**

Kathleen made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Michelle seconded the motion; the motion carried.

**Minutes**

Jayne moved to approve the minutes of the February 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Kathleen seconded the motion; motion carried.

**Library Director's Report**

Elena wished to remind everyone that Karen is reporting directly from her, and that any questions or concerns are to be directed to Elena. She can be reached in her office during regular working hours and welcomes any comments or concerns.

Mayor Davis was welcomed to the Library Board as the new Council Liaison.

**Statistics**

Library usage continues to climb. Service numbers remain high and door count is up, most likely due to the free tax services provided by the AARP. The tax volunteers report record numbers of patrons this year. Many of these patrons were not aware of this location, and were pleased to submit library card applications and begin taking advantage of all that we have to offer.

**Wireless Connection Update**

Patty is currently researching costs involved in updating our wireless connection. Her current research shows the amount will be under \$400. Elena has decided the Library will cover those costs.

**Security System Update**

Board Members were provided a proposal for a security system update. This update is intended to address specific areas of the library currently not under surveillance. Elena requests the Board to consider the proposal and vote on approval. A question was raised regarding whether other proposals have been considered. Karen will ask Elena and report back to the Board with her answer. Jayne commented on the trust she has in Elena and her decisions regarding library needs. Voting on this issue will take place in April.

**State Aid Grant- Article**

The Board was provided with email articles and information regarding the upcoming vote on the possible elimination of State Aid to Libraries. Our portion of State Aid Grant funding is devoted entirely to our computers. This includes IT technician, programs, software, licensing, and filters (NetNanny) on all 26, both staff and public, computers in the library. Elena requests the Board begin an email and letter campaign immediately, letting our legislators know how important State Aid is to our Library. A question was raised as to when the voting will take place. Karen will ask Elena and call all Board members with this information.

## **Library Programs**

The Workforce Alliance Mobile Unit will be in the south parking lot of the Library March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10 to 1.

The Library hosts a Puppet Show during spring break, April 1<sup>st</sup> from 10 to 11. The puppeteers include some of Mary Helen's library student volunteers.

A Renaissance demonstration from the Kingdom of York, a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to the study and recreation of early Western culture, will take place at the Library April 10<sup>th</sup> from 10 to 3.

The Annual Library Art in the Garden Sidewalk Chalk Festival is scheduled for April 24<sup>th</sup> from 9 to 2. The Bluegrass Jam group which meets in the Library has expressed interest in providing music for the festival.

Jazz Nite is scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. We are excited to have the Palm Springs Middle School Jazz Band back again this year.

## **Old Business**

There was no old business.

## **New Business**

There was no new business.

## **Friends of the Library**

The Friends of the Library will provide the chalk for Art in the Garden. Jerry has offered to provide refreshments for sale.

## **Miscellaneous**

The Bluegrass Jam group is discussing providing music for the Art in the Garden Sidewalk Chalk Art Festival. The Village Picnic is scheduled for the afternoon of April 17<sup>th</sup>. We hope to see everyone there.

## **Next Meeting**

The next board meeting will be April 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hoffecker  
Recording Secretary