

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Board Members Paul Harding, George Waller, Milton Kraemer, 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**

George moved to approve the minutes of the September 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. Helene seconded the motion; motion carried.

**Library Director's Report**

**Statistics**

According to government accounting standards, rules have changed and we have lost access to the Library Special Revenue Fund. The amount has been moved into the General Revenue Fund. As compared to last year, the library has experienced a major increase in use. Elena plans to run a test of the people counters to gauge the accuracy of the recordings.

**Electricity Monitors**

The library now has Kill-A-Watt Energy Monitors available for check out. These devices allow you to estimate how much energy a single appliance uses. One of the monitors was passed around the Board for a closer look.

**County Libraries Closing for Renovation- Continued Effects**

In addition to increased usage, the library is also experiencing an increase in "incidents" where patrons are increasingly belligerent. The staff has been notified to report any threatening behavior immediately.

**Vacancies on Board**

Currently there are 2 vacancies on the library board. Elena is open to suggestions for possible Library Board members.

**State Aid Grant- Update**

The last part of the State Aid Grant was submitted today. This year's approved amount is \$14,262.

**Library Programs**

December programs include our popular Polar Express movie event, Wednesday December 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 p.m. Hot chocolate is served as movie-goers enjoy watching the show in a winter wonderland of lights.

The winter craft program to celebrate the start of winter is scheduled for December 21<sup>st</sup> at 3:30 p.m. This program was scheduled during the school holidays.

Two Gamerz programs are scheduled, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 and December 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30.

### **Old Business**

There was no old business.

### **New Business**

There was no new business.

### **Friends of the Library**

There was no Friends of the Library business to report.

### **Miscellaneous**

Paul inquired about whether the PAL Mentoring Program will continue to be held at the library. Elena will contact Officer Debbie Johnson to find out.

Paul mentioned Kirklane Elementary also screens the Polar Express movie. Michelle added that West Palm Beach shows the movie as well.

### **Next Meeting**

The next board meeting will be January 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hoffecker  
Recording Secretary