

MINUTES

EUSTIS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

February 28, 2006

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Rena Poole, President
Clayton Bishop, Vice-President
Glenda Pippin, Secretary
Alta Trask
Carla Mitchell

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Steve Benetz, Leisure Services/Library Sr. Director

President Rena Poole called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Minutes for the January 24, 2006 meeting were presented. Minutes were approved as read.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

STATISTICAL REPORT: Mr. Benetz presented the January Statistical and Financial Report. For the month, 610 items were added to the collection and 2,371 deleted; circulation totaled 8,732 items; staff answered 872 reference questions and 51 items were borrowed on interlibrary loan. Twenty-five children's programs were held with 388 in attendance and six adult programs were held with 93 in attendance. Eighty-five new cards were issued and 8,042 users visited the Library. Eleven volunteers worked a total of 146.25 hours. Library revenues were \$1,693.04 for the month of January. Non-resident card fees totaled \$694. Library impact fees collected totaled \$7,435.

President Poole asked if there were any comments or questions. There being none, Carla Mitchell moved to accept the Librarian's Report. Clayton Bishop, seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Benetz reported that departments had been advised that the annual Five-Year Budget Workshops with the City Commission would be scheduled sometime in March. At that time, he would present the Library Department's funding needs as projected over the next five years.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

OTHER CONCERNS

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Mr. Benetz reported that the Library's special celebration of Black History Month this year, an exhibition entitled "**T.H. Poole, Sr.: A Voice For Change** a 50-year retrospective of his Civil Rights activism" opened February 27th. A reception was held in the Library that evening, with Commissioner Gwen Manning introducing Mr. Poole as the guest speaker. The event was well attended and everyone enjoyed the wonderful refreshments and Mr. Poole's account of some of his more interesting experiences during the Civil Rights Movement. President Poole thanked Mr. Benetz and Marlene Blye, Deputy Library Director, for putting this project together.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Mr. Benetz reminded the Board that he would be out of town for the March 28th meeting. The consensus was to have Ms. Blye fill in for Mr. Benetz at the March meeting.

The next scheduled Board meeting will be March 28, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. in the Library Conference Room.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathryn Pringle
Leisure Services/Library Staff Assistant