

**ABILENE PUBLIC LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 6, 2006**

The Abilene Public Library Board met in the Conference room of the Library at 4:00 P.M., Monday, February 6, 2006. A quorum was present.

Board Members Present: David Scott (Chairman), Stewart Caffey, Joe Specht (Vice Chairman), Chris Blackmon, Bryan Scaif, Nancy Stephenson, Ginna Sadler, and John Williams

Board Members Absent: Stan Chapman, Maryanna Harrell

Also Attending: Tony Neitzler (Assistant Director of Community Services), Ricki Brown (City Librarian), and Martha Weisner (Administrative Assistant I).

Media present: None

Mr. Scott called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. a quorum was present. Mr. Scott asked for a motion to accept the minutes of November 7, 2005 as presented. Nancy Stephenson motioned for approval and Joe Specht seconded. Motion carried with David Scott, Stewart Caffey, Bryan Scaif, Ginna Sadler and John Williams voting affirmative.

Ms. Brown began her report by introducing Dennis Miller, Librarian II, and presenting his 10 year service award. She explained about the library and city's restructuring. The custodians are now coming under Facilities Maintenance and they are doing the courier between the libraries and to city hall. Other restructuring is due to the retirement of Ann Johns. Her Librarian III title over Technical Services has been given to Janis Test. She is now Librarian III Head of Information Services. Her Librarian II position has been changed to Librarian I which now will be a children's librarian at the Branch. The current Librarian II position in Technical Services will be the supervisor for that area. Ms. Brown also asked that the Board stop by the Story time room to look at the mural.

Ms. Brown informed the board that the Library would not be on the bond ballot.

Mr. Scott informed the Board that they needed to elect officers. Joe Specht made the motion for David Scott to continue as President. Ginna Sadler 2nd that motion. Nancy Stephenson made the motion to re-elect the current officers. John Williams 2nd that motion Ginna Sadler asked nominations to cease. David Scott and Joe Specht were elected to office.

Ms Brown informed the board that Jane Seamster was moving from Abilene and had resigned from the Board. She asked if any of them could think of someone that would be good for the board.

John Pecoraro from the Big Country Library System spoke. He handed two handouts with information on The Texas Library Systems. The first was Texas State Library and Library Systems Changes on the Way and the Texas State Library Sunset Evaluation Timeline. He explained that BCLS has 43 public libraries in our system with 37 active members. He explained different requirements for the libraries. The librarians must have an MLS if they are to get county money. Also, librarians are to get continuing education hours each year.

Ginna Sadler gave the Friends report. They made \$44,000 off the Book sale, \$35,000 off the Book and Author festival.

The next meeting will be May 1, 2006.

Mr. Scott called the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Weisner  
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