



Mansfield Public Library Advisory Board - Regular Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2025 - 6:00 PM
Approved

Program Room A
104 South Wisteria, Mansfield, TX 76063

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Bobby Quinten at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Bobby Quinten, Debra Collins, Kamaria Chisolm, Cindy Gray, and Leigh Ann Osburn

Board Members Absent:

Jandel Crutchfield and Richard Ajenikoko

Library Staff Present:

Assistant Director of Library Services Faria Matin and Administrative Assistant Blacey Bailey

Citizens Present:

None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL MEETING

A motion to approve the April minutes, as written, was made by Cindy Gray and was seconded by Kamaria Chisolm. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Citizens wishing to address the Library Board on agenda items and items not on the agenda may do so at this time. Due to regulations to the Texas Open Meetings Act, please do not expect a response from the Board as they are not able to do so. THIS WILL BE YOUR ONLY OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. All comments are limited to five (5) minutes. In order to be recognized during "Citizen Comments" please complete a card located at the entrance and present it to Library Staff prior to the start of the meeting.

None

4. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY UPDATE

There was no report presented.

5. DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

*Library General Update

The Mansfield Reads author event held at the Library on May 2 was well attended and well received. Attendance had been capped at 150 and there was a waitlist. Library staff was able to accommodate all who were on the waitlist. Board members were very pleased with the event and thought the author was excellent. There was one complaint that the Friends of the Library

table of merchandise was not available long enough after the event to accommodate people who were in the author's book signing line.

A part-time staff member has resigned, but a new person has been hired to fill the position starting June 1.

The Summer Reading Programming Guide was shared with the board. Programming will start May 31 and run through July 25. Wednesday morning programs for the children will be held in the MAC gym to accommodate larger audiences. The Library is once again partnering with MISD to provide free lunches Monday-Friday throughout the summer.

6. OLD BUSINESS

***5 Year Strategic Plan Update**

Staff continues to review the 5-Year Strategic Plan. Board members were given access to the document through a link to allow them to review and comment on the plan's goals. They were asked to keep the city's True North perspective in mind. Staff are currently fine-tuning the goals to reflect any changes to upcoming TSLAC requirements. Peer library comparisons cannot be completed until the annual accreditation reports are made available in August.

Kamaria Chisholm asked if the Mansfield Women's Club grant had been received. Nothing has been heard at this time.

Leigh Ann Osburn asked about the prom dress event. It was reported that it had been a success and that any dresses not used this year have been stored for future events. Faria indicated that the success of this program has the staff looking at doing the Halloween costume exchange once again in the Fall.

7. NEW BUSINESS

None

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Appreciation was expressed for the Reads event. Everyone felt it had been very well done and a great success.

The next board meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2025.

9. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned by President Bobby Quinten at 6:18 p.m.

Bobby Quinten, President

ATTEST:

Jandel Crutchfield, Secretary