

MEMORANDUM



LIBRARY

NOTICE OF MEETING

There will be a Library Advisory Committee Meeting
on Tuesday, October 7, 2008 at 2:00pm,
in the Commission Chambers, City Hall,
155 Corey Avenue, St. Pete Beach,
Pinellas County, Florida,
to review the following:

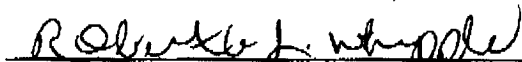
Library Programs
Library Planning

Any Other Matters the Advisory Committee Wishes to Discuss

The Public is cordially invited to attend.

*In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Florida Statutes 286.26,
persons with special disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding
should contact Mr. Ed Pickhardt, Superintendent of Buildings, at (727) 363-9243,
for assistance no later than seven days prior to the proceeding.
If hearing impaired, telephone the Florida Relay Service Number/TDD (800) 955-8771.*

*If a person decides to appeal any decision made at this hearing, they will need a record
of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings
is made, which includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based
(F.S. 286.105). The city does not furnish verbatim transcripts; interested parties should make
the necessary arrangements for the verbatim transcripts.*


Roberta L. Whipple, Library Administrator

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**LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2008

THOSE PRESENT:

Jean Andrews
Ward Friszolowski, Chair
Mimi Gewanter
Barbara Mooney

ALSO PRESENT:

Roberta L. Whipple, Library Administrator

ABSENT:

Judy Cohan

ACTIVITY STATUS:

A survey was done and 63% of those participating suggested opening earlier in the morning, later on certain days and open on Sunday. It was noted that we do not have to reduce hours yet. Those surveyed also suggested more reading areas and comfortable chairs. Ms. Mooney reported that the survey was very positive and she is proud of the way the citizens feel about our library.

LIBRARY INTERIOR ALTERATIONS:

Ms. Whipple looked at ways to refresh the interior of the Library, such as the "Barnes and Nobles" type atmosphere and also possible reorganization of the library in an economical way without moving walls and the ceiling. Ward suggested follow-up meetings to further discuss these issues. Ms. Whipple advised that there is money through "Friends" and we can now use Ward for a rehabilitation grant through the county.

Mimi asked if we could have a conference room and Ward suggested that we keep going down the list including not having any furniture, then discuss the options. A new, larger library is an option but because of budget issues, we must look at long term, five years plus, in the future. Services to consider might include movies and discussion groups for children, activities for teens, and sponsoring Saturday morning movies. Small beverage service and/or vending machines might be added.

Other matters discussed were the computers, which are all now up and running, automated and self service system, use of credit and/or debit cards for fines, books, copies, and a video drop in the book drop.

GOALS:

Self Service Reserves, recognizing new staff roles, and IT is looking at wireless capabilities.

Increase teen activity to include a couple surf boards, surf magazines, etc.

Ms. Mooney suggested a program on using the Library.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Ice Cream Social

James Bond Party November 13, 2008

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Reports were made by the following Board Members:

Mimi Gewanter

Roberta Whipple

Barbara Mooney

NEXT MEETING:

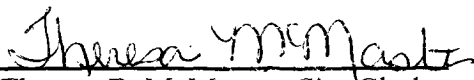
The next Library Meeting will be December 2, at 2:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Committee, the Meeting was adjourned.

Jean Andrews, Chairman

ATTEST:


Theresa B. McMaster, City Clerk