



**CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD
LIBRARY BOARD
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022 - 6:00 PM**

Minutes

**MINUTES OF A FRIENDSWOOD REGULAR MEETING HELD AT 416 S. Friendswood Dr.,
Friendswood, TX,**

STATE OF TEXAS
CITY OF FRIENDSWOOD
COUNTIES OF GALVESTON/HARRIS
JANUARY 18, 2022

1. Call to Order

Lewis, Shawna
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Diane called to order at 6:00pm.

2. Communications from the Public

3. Minutes

A. Consider approving the minutes of the Library Board Meeting held on November 16, 2021.
Was unable to approve the Minutes as we did not have a quorum.

4. Discussions

A. Receive an update on library services, programs, and events.
Diane introduced the new Fisd Liaison Shawna Lewis.

Matt updated the board about the current library services, programs, and events. Matt shared the second issue of the Library Lines and mentioned that we are currently working on the third. Steve

asked if the library is offering an introduction to Spanish class, Matt mentioned that Dru is hoping to restart that soon. Matt shared the new collections the library has added recently, such as local authors, classic movies.

Diane shared that there are 118 Friends members and Maddie is advertising membership. Made 1,100 in December Book Sale. Diane also shared the success of the Book Nooks since the pandemic. She shared that they regularly make \$300 a month in on-going sales. The Friends paid for new mobile shelving units that can be moved aside for programming purposes.

Matt shared that the librarians will be attending TLA in April. Matt shared that we have hired a new page and are in the process of hiring a new children's librarian.

Matt shared that the library completed a new shelving project, dismantling a shelf in the nonfiction section and adding new shelves to the surrounding shelves to make a bigger space in between the shelves.

B. Receive and discuss initial library survey results.

Matt shared the results of a survey recently conducted. There have been 95 responses to the survey so far. The questions of the survey revolve around the value and use of physical and electronic resources. Betty asked if the results were indicative of the elderly population of Friendswood. Matt mentioned that this survey was not targeted at any age group in particular and there is not a breakdown of demographics of the survey takers for this survey but there could be for our next survey in a couple of months. Matt shared some of the open-ended responses to the question about what patrons would like us to offer. Steve asked if the tutors who are charging students are charged by the library. Matt shared that the tutors are the one exception. Shawna mentioned potentially having tutors donate an hour to tutor for free for every hour they spend tutoring at the library. Matt shared that the library is working on something like this with the Library Embassadors program where select tutors who use our library frequently to promote our library in exchange for their use.

Steve asked for the new liaison's share with us what the library can do to help their students and also share suggestions as well.

Neeta shared that UHCL Pearland campus is offering free PCR COVID testing Monday - Friday 9-6pm. Neeta asked

C. Receive and discuss Friends of the Library Gala update.

Matt shared that Maddie provided a donation form in the packet for the live auction if anyone on the board knows of anyone would be interested. Matt shared that the main goal of the fundraising of the Gala is a library vehicle to be used for mobile programming and other things. Tickets are currently on sale. Steve suggested that Mayor Mike do a Mike's Minutes on the event.

5. Adjournment

Diane called the meeting at 7pm.