

**Minutes of the Volusia County Library Advisory Board Meeting**

May 5, 2006

New Smyrna Beach Library  
1001 S Dixie Freeway, NSB

**Members:**

Eva Williams, Chair, At-Large  
Claudia Hutchins, At-Large  
Dr. Henry Martin, Dist. I  
Neil Harrington, Dist. II  
Dr. Adrienne Baytop, Dist. III  
Chris Hartley, Dist IV  
Sue Lombardi, Dist V

**Staff:**

Mike Knievel, Library Services Director  
Suzan Howes, Regional Librarian

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Chair, Eva Williams called the meeting to order at 2:00pm.

Eva Williams, Neil Harrington, Sue Lombardi, Christopher Hartley, Claudia Hutchins and Dr. Adrienne Baytop were present. Dr. Henry Martin was excused.

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

There was a motion to accept the minutes of the previous meeting by Sue Lombardi. The motion was seconded by Neil Harrington and carried unanimously.

Eva Williams asked about the updated Volusia County Advisory Board Handbook. Mike Knievel responded that he would make sure that they receive a copy.

**Financial Report:**

Mike Knievel, Library Director, reported that he didn't receive a budget report due to submitting the budget request. Eva Williams explained that Mike is now acting Community Services Director. Mike went over the presentation of the handout of the agenda for budget discussion.

Eva Williams proposed the following motion:

The Library Board recommends to the County Manager and County Council a reduced Library fund trim rate of 0.584 mils for the year 2006/2007 budget of \$24,419,309.00 for the Library Division. Adrienne Baytop seconded the motion. There was some discussion about the lower trim rate and the concerns of the rising cost of the Deltona Construction project due to delays. The motion was carried.

**Deltona Projection Report**

Mike reported about the Deltona project. He went over the chart of the new building.

**Council Action Reports:**

Mike Knievel reported that there was pending Council action on the contractor for the DLT/ELC project and the extension of the Ebsco contract. Mike reported that the PC Reservation item is going to be rescheduled for June.

**Regional Library Report:**

Suzan Howes, New Smyrna Beach Regional Librarian, reported on events in the southeast region. Suzan spoke about the Ask a Librarian program.

**Public Participation:**

Suzan Howes reported that Oak Hill hosted its first public program. It was on the history of Oak Hill. Everyone was excited over the attendance. Seventy-five people attended.

**Board Discussion:**

There was discussion about the different libraries and different community services' not always being in the same facilities. There was a discussion about the upcoming elections.

**Next Meeting/Future Agenda Items:**

Next County Library Advisory Board meeting will be Friday, September 8, 2006 at 2:00 pm at the Volusia County Library Support Center.

**Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Debbie Hawkins*