

**MEETING OF THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD  
CITY OF LA VISTA**

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
September 10, 2009**

Members Present:      Rose Barcal              Karen Cahill              Janice Podoll  
                                 Valerie Russell              Kim Schmit-Pokorny      Carol Westlund

Agenda Item #1: Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m.

Agenda Item #2: Announcement of Location of Posted Open Meetings Act

An announcement was made of the location of the posted copy of the Open Meetings Act for public reference.

Agenda Item #3: Introductions

There were no introductions made.

Agenda Item #4: Approval of Minutes of July 9, 2009 Meeting

It was moved by Russell and seconded by Schmit-Pokorny that the minutes be accepted as presented. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #5: Library Director's Report

- a. Programs: an overview of various programs was given.
- b. Employee updates were given. Linda Birkey retired from the library in August. Three new people have started training for the evening/weekend positions.
- c. Library Meetings were reviewed.
- d. General Information included the new format of the monthly library report.

Agenda Item #6: Circulation Report

Library Director Barcal distributed the circulation report. The report was discussed and accepted.

Agenda Item #7: Old Business

- a. Current grants were reviewed. Information was requested from the Midland Community Foundation related to the Grant for Grieving Teen/Child Book Bags. Nebraska Humanities Council grant was received for a Summer Reading Program Speaker.
- b. Budget FY 09/10. The final reading was approved by City Council on September 1st.

Agenda Item #8: New Business

- a. Summer Reading Program 2009. Reports were distributed.

Agenda Item #9: Comments from the Floor

The Library Advisory Board has obtained Board Certification through September 30, 2012.

Agenda Item #10: Comments from the Board

There were no comments from the Board.

There was a motion by Westlund and seconded by Cahill to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. at the La Vista Public Library, Conference Room #142.

## **2009 Teen Summer Reading Program Summary**

**“Express Yourself @ your library”**

**June 9<sup>th</sup> to August 14<sup>th</sup>**

### **Kick-off Party**

The Teen Kick-off Party was on Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> from 2-3pm. There were 20 teens and 7 adults present. The teens received their book bags and first point tracker card, signed up for programs, ate snacks, and completed a trivia quiz for a chance to win prizes.

### **Registration**

The Teen Summer Reading Program was open to teens in sixth to twelfth grade. It ran from Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup> to Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. The library registered 64 teens from 23 different schools.

### **Point Tracker Cards**

This summer, the teens used a point tracker card to keep track of their reading and activities. At registration, each teen received their first card. All point tracker cards were required to be turned in by Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>.

Each card was worth 50 points and there was seven different ways teens could earn points. The teens did a great job of turning in their point tracker cards. The final numbers are:

Card 1 – 37	Card 2 – 28	Card 3 – 18
Card 4 – 17	Card 5 – 16	Card 6 – 15
Card 7 – 12	Card 8 – 10	Card 9 – 7
Card 10 – 6		

Total Hours Reading Books – 714	Total Magazines Read – 108
Total Newspapers Read – 65	Total Audio books Listened To – 19
Total Hours Volunteered – 68	Total Movies Watched - 108
Total Events Attended (that were counted for points) – 43	

### **Summer Reading Program Events**

Teen events were held on Tuesday nights starting at 6pm and Friday afternoons starting at 2pm. There were seventeen events planned from June 9<sup>th</sup> to August 14<sup>th</sup>. In total, 100 teens participated in the 2009 Teen Summer Reading Program. This does not include the teens that used the pool pass.

## Be Creative @ Your Library – 2009 Summer Reading Program Report

This year's theme was Be Creative @ Your Library which meant our summer program's main focus was on the arts such as music, arts and crafts, and drama. The Summer Reading Program ran for ten weeks. It started with our kick-off party on Wednesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our first program was on Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup> and the last program was on Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>.

School Visits – In May 2009, I visited Portal, La Vista West, Parkview Heights, and G. Stanley Hall Elementary Schools. I also had sixty first grade students from Parkview Heights tour the library and learn about our summer reading program. At each school, I promoted the Be Creative Summer Reading Program and each child was given a flyer highlighting our program.

Parkview Heights – 419 students  
Portal – 463 students  
La Vista West – 341 students  
G. Stanley Hall – 380 students  
St. Columbkille

Be Creative Summer Registration – On Wednesday, June 3, 2009 the library hosted the Summer Reading Kick-off Party from 2:00-4:00. We registered 267 children, played games, had juice and cookies, and registered children for various activities. By the end of the Program we registered 500 children and about forty-five schools were represented.

La Vista Day Parade – On Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, the library entered a float into the La Vista Day's Parade. Two teen volunteers and an adult handed out 500 Summer Reading Program fliers and coupons to Sonic.

Be Creative Reading Log Program – We used a card system this summer to keep track of all the hours read. There were ten cards created and each card represented five hours of reading. At the kick-off party, each child was given Card #1. Once they completed their five hours of reading, they brought this card to the library, received their prize for the five hours of reading and received Card #2. This process continued until all ten cards were completed. The children had until Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup> to complete their Reading Logs. The number of cards turned in is as follows:

Card #1 – 267	Card #2 – 193	Card #3 – 154	Card #4 – 124
Card #5 – 105	Card #6 – 79	Card #7 – 61	Card #8 – 46
Card #9 – 26	Card #10 – 30		

In total, 1085 Summer Reading Logs were turned in by Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. This means that the children (birth to fifth grade) read a total of 5,425 hours.

Be Creative Summer Activities – The library had an activity every day of the week, Monday through Friday.

Preschool Storytime – 556 kids and 13 adults

Toddler Storytime – 161 kids and 150 adults

Lapsit Storytime – 38 kids and 35 adults

Craft Day – 277 kids and 51 adults

Movie Night – 134 kids and 97 adults

Game Day/Guest Speaker – 293 kids and 91 adults

Homeschool Computer Class – 66 kids

ABC and Me Day Care Visits on Wednesdays – 167 kids and 23 adults

Wednesday Guests – 374 kids and 143 adults

Thursday Activities/Guest Speaker – 231 kids and 64 adults

Lunch Bunch – 89 kids and 29 adults

Book Club – 20 kids and 2 adults

Portal Elementary & Parkview Heights Kids Clubs – 121 kids and 24 adults

Total – 2527 kids and 722 adults (3249 total to all programs)

Weekly Contests – 147 entries for the entire summer

Week 1 Participates – 394 people

Week 2 Participates – 369 people

Week 3 Participates – 290 people

Week 4 Participates – 322 people

Week 5 Participates – 398 people

Week 6 Participates – 391 people

Week 7 Participates – 311 people

Week 8 Participates – 200 people

Week 9 Participates – 337 people

Week 10 Participates – 237 people

Total Participation – 3249 adult and children