

GARDEN CITY LIBRARY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

January 11, 2012

The Garden City Library Board of Trustees held their regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, January 11, 2012, at 1:00 p.m. It was held at the Garden City Library, located at 69 North Paradise Parkway, Building A. All regularly scheduled meetings of the Library Board of Director's are recorded according to State Law. Board members present were: Kathie Anderson; Debbie Forakis, Chairman; Susann House; Elaine Negus; Bob Stevens; and Anita Weston. Pat Argyle, the City Council Representative, was present. Cathie Rasmussen, the Librarian, was also in attendance. Marcia Solum was excused.

Both Kathie Anderson and Elaine Negus have just recently been appointed to the Library Board. Elaine Negus will be finishing out Julie Stringham's term and has been appointed to serve from 2012 to 2014—two years. Kathie Anderson is replacing Loretta Fidler and will serve the full three-year term.

Debbie Forakis took charge of the meeting and called it to order. Upon motion by Bob Stevens and seconded by Debbie Forakis, the minutes of the December meeting were approved as written.

The library statistics for the month of December were discussed as well as some year end totals. There were two new patrons in December giving a total of 304 resident card holders and 83 non resident card holders. With the three card holders that are exempt, there are a total of 390 card holders in the 2011 calendar year. In the 2010 calendar year, there were 308 card holders.

Total circulation during December was 556 and a total for the year of 8,411. The library took in \$320.80 during the month of December. The majority came from book sales and library card sales. There were 3,944 adults and 2,152 children that came to the library in 2011 making a total of 6,096 patrons for the year.

Wednesday is the busiest day at the library, probably a result of having story time on that day. Monday and Saturday are about the same in patronage and are the two slowest days. There were 542 volunteers hours donated for the 2011 year. The peak usage of the library occurs during the summer months, probably a result of higher computer usage. A copy of the Library ledger sheet was not available yet. When Ms. Rasmussen gets it from the City Office, she will email it to the Board Members.

Mrs. Argyle asked if it would be possible for teenagers to volunteer at the library to fill their young womanhood requirements. Mrs. Rasmussen indicated that there would be plenty of activities that they could do at the library if they so desired.

The vouchers were signed by the Board members. It was noted that payroll vouchers were signed prior to the payroll period so that the librarian could get them in on time each pay period.