

LIBRARY BOARD  
PACKET FOR JANUARY 2020  
MEETING

JANUARY 27, 2020  
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AGENDA

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Grand Prairie Main Library  
Administration Conference Room  
901 Conover Drive, Grand Prairie, TX 75051  
January 27, 2020  
6:00 P.M.

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes – December 9, 2019 Meeting
- III. Citizen Comments – Citizens may speak up to five minutes on any item on the agenda or not on the agenda.
- IV. Spring Programs
- V. HumanKIND Project
- VI. Prison Program
- VII. Book Club Kits
- VIII. Friends of the Library Update
- IX. Next Meeting – February 24, 2020 at Main Library
- X. Adjournment

"In accordance with Chapter 551, Subchapter C, of the Texas Government Code, the Library Board Agenda was prepared and posted on the 21<sup>st</sup> date of January, 2020".

Posted by:

  
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Tamilia Johnson, Executive Assistant

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DECEMBER 9, 2019  
MEETING MINUTES  
&  
MATERIALS

**GRAND PRAIRIE MAIN LIBRARY  
ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE ROOM  
901 CONOVER DRIVE  
GRAND PRAIRIE, TX 75051  
LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES  
December 9, 2019**

**Members Present**

Patsy Ray, Chair  
Julia Perez, Vice Chair  
Deborah Adame  
Stephanie Brown  
Karen Eddlemon  
Dana Jackson  
Deinna Mims Johnson  
Eric Smith

**Members Absent**

Dan Smith

**Staff Present**

Amy Sprinkles, Director  
Peter Sime, Library Services Supervisor of People

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board Chair Patsy Ray.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the October 28, 2019 meeting, and the revised September 23, 2019 minutes were approved.

**III. Citizen Comments**

There were no citizen comments.

**IV. On-line Library Card Application Process**

Library Services Supervisor of People Peter Sime demonstrated how customers can get a library card online and never have to come into a physical office. He reviewed stats that show we have 1,319 online card holders, with 565 of those in ZIP 75052. Epic Reads has issued 199 cards.

**V. Becoming an Accredited Sensory Library**

Director Amy Sprinkles reviewed the programming staff's goal to become the second certified sensory library in Texas. Grapevine is the first. Staff will be certified through training with Kulture City, and will offer sensory kits for check out that will contain noise cancelling headphones, feelings zone thermometers, weighted lap pads, melody balls, parenting books about kids with sensory issues, fidgets and children's books on mindfulness. Staff will offer programs for those children who may learn better through touch and sound, rather than traditional teaching methods. The Friends of the Library have purchased the Children's Library a pedal table, so that kids who move constantly can pedal while reading, completing homework or working on a task.

**VI. Goals for 2020**

Sprinkles reviewed staff major goals for 2020, which include:

- a. Additional parking at the Betty Warmack Library
- b. Installing a video security system in the Main Library parking lot
- c. Adding more Spanish 1000 Books Before Kindergarten
- d. Adding Tween programming
- e. Partnering with GPISD and UTA for a Social Work intern
- f. Producing our own podcast
- g. Creating parenting videos
- h. Partnering with GPFSA to host student plays at the Main Library

**VII. 2020 Board Calendar**

The 2020 Library Board Meeting Dates schedule and 2020 Library Closing Dates calendar were shared with the board.

**VIII. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

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Patsy Ray, Chair

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Amy Sprinkles, Director

**GRAND PRAIRIE LIBRARY BOARD  
2020 MEETING DATES**

4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month from 6-7 p.m. at the Main Library, 901 Conover Dr. (unless otherwise noted)

Jan. 27, 2020

Feb. 24, 2020

March-May, 2020     In lieu of meetings, dates to be determined

1. Attend grand opening of Grow Butterfly Garden at Warmack
2. Work Friends of the Library book sale week of April 13
3. Attend Summer Reading Club kick off June 6 10 a.m. – noon, Main

June 22, 2020

July – skip             traditional vacation month for board

Aug. 24, 2020

Sept. 28, 2020

Oct. 26, 2020

Dec. 7, 2020             combine the November and December meetings due to holidays  
(tentative)

## **2020 Library Closing dates**

New Year's Day	January 1
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	January 20
Easter Sunday	April 12
Memorial Day	May 25
Independence Day Friday	July 3
Independence Day	July 4
Labor Day	September 7
Thanksgiving Day	November 26
Thanksgiving Friday	November 27
Christmas Eve	December 24
Christmas Day	December 25

## **2021 Library Closing dates**

New Year's Day	January 1
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	January 18