

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF ANDERSON §
PALESTINE PUBLIC LIBRARY §

The Library Board of the City of Palestine, Texas Palestine Public Library convened in a Special Meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. in the Library Conference Room at 2000 South Loop 256, Palestine, Texas with the following people present:

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| CINDY THORNTON | CHAIRPERSON |
| NIKKI CALHOUN | VICE CHAIRPERSON |
| PEGGY WYATT | BOARDMEMBER |
| SUSAN ARMSTRONG | BOARDMEMBER |
| ROSEMARY MILLER | BOARDMEMBER |
| RHONDA HERRINGTON | BOARDMEMBER |
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| KATHY COCHRAN | PRESIDENT, PALESTINE LIBRARY FRIENDS |
| RON SAFFORD | PRESIDENT, PALESTINE LIBRARY MEMORIAL |
| CAROL A. HERRINGTON | LIBRARY DIRECTOR |

Boardmembers Ed White and Pat Hanley were absent; a quorum of the Board was present.

CALL TO ORDER – SPECIAL MEETING 11:00 a.m.

Chairperson Thornton called the Special meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

REPORT ON RETIREMENT OF LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Chairperson Thornton reported that Director Herrington submitted a letter of resignation for retirement effective April 30, 2011. Although she will be tying up loose ends on various library matters to facilitate a transition to the Interim Director, Director Herrington will be taking vacation time during the last two weeks of April.

CONSIDER LIBRARY BOARD ROLE IN SELECTION OF INTERIM LIBRARY DIRECTOR

INPUT FROM OUTGOING DIRECTOR: Director Herrington thanked the Boards for their support. She then reviewed basic certifications of two potential Interim Director candidates and clarified those certifications. Director Herrington urged the Board to consider an applicant's appreciation for Texas and local history when selecting a new director for the Library. Our library has a long-term interest and investment in local and Texas history that should be preserved and enhanced. It is the director's responsibility to care for the things that have been donated and shared. Director Herrington then exited the meeting.

BOARD'S ROLE IN SELECTION OF INTERIM DIRECTOR: Chairperson Thornton advised the Board of her recent meeting with City Manager Mike Ohrt and Director Roy Crouch. Following discussion, the board requested a copy of the Job Description and resume's of the applicants prior to the interviews if possible. The Board was presented with a choice to (1)

interview the Interim Director candidates as a board or (2) appoint a representative to serve on an interview committee with City staff. A motion was made by Boardmember Miller and seconded by Boardmember Armstrong to conduct interviews as a board. The Board's recommendation would be submitted to City Manager Ohrt. Upon vote, motion passed 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Cindy Thornton, Chair