

Library Board Minutes
Artesia Public Library
January 12, 2016

- I. **Members Present:** Tera Sexton, Sara Polk, Julie Meabon Gibson, David Grousnick, Beth Walker, Laura Simon, Danny Parker, and Rae Aaron.
- II. **Call to Order:** 5:20 PM. Chair: President, David Grousnick.
- III. **Minutes:** Julie Meabon Gibson moved that minutes be approved as written. Tera Sexton seconded. Motion carried.
- IV. **Friends of the Library Report:**
 - a. Discussion was held regarding stained glass for Southwest Room. Seeking glass artist.
 - b. Discussion of recruiting new members. Membership fee is \$50.
 - c. Tip Vandewart bequeathed her book collection to the Friends of the Library.
 - d. Upcoming Friends meeting will be held at the Library on Thursday, January 14, 2016.
- V. **Librarian's Report:** Laura Simon presented the report:
 - a. City offers portal to sign up to receive email or text notification of Library Board of Trustees' minutes and agendas via the City's web page (<http://nm-artesia.civicplus.com/list.aspx>). This will also notify of any changes.
- VI. **Old Business:**
 - a. Approval of By-Laws has been postponed pending City Council presentation and administrative meeting with the Librarian.
- VII. **New Business:**
 - a. Discussion of "Behavior Policy":
 - i. Policy #23. Laura expressed a concern regarding firearms in the Library. New Mexico is an "open carry" state. The Board asked her to contact the City Attorney for guidance whether policy can prohibit firearms on premises.
 - ii. Policy #19. Discussed changing minimum allowed age for unsupervised children to 6 years old to conform to age set forth in Policy #4. Motion was made to edit policy. Motion was seconded, and carried.
 - b. Laura needs additional nominees to fill Board vacancy.
- VIII. **Next Meeting:** February 9, 2016
- IX. **Meeting Adjourned:** 6:00 PM