

# CITY OF MANSFIELD

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## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 8, 2025

6:00 PM

Community Room

**Mansfield Public Library Advisory Board**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

*The meeting was called to order by President Bobby Quinten at 6:00 PM.*

*Board Members Present:*

*Bobby Quinten, Debra Collins, Jandel Crutchfield, Richard Ajenikoko, and Leigh Ann Osburn*

*Board Member Absent:*

*Kamaria Chisolm; Cindy Gray*

*Library Staff Present:*

*Director of Library and Historical Services Yolanda Botello, Assistant Director of Library Services Faria Marin; Community Engagement Librarian Lori Eddy; and Administrative Assistant Blacey Bailey*

*Citizen Present:*

*None*

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER MEETING**

*A motion to approve the November minutes, as written, was made by Debra Collins and was seconded by Leigh Ann Osburn. The minutes were unanimously approved.*

**3. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

*None*

**4. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY UPDATE**

*There was no update from the Friends.*

**5. DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT**

*Library General Update:*

*This report was provided by Director, Yolie Botello. There is a conditional offer made to a candidate for the Youth Services Librarian position that was vacated on 11/1/2024. The library will need volunteers for the upcoming Mansfield Reads event this spring. The contract with author Georgia Hunter (We Were the Lucky Ones) has been signed. The kickoff will be March 6th, 2025 at Market Street with the event occurring May 2nd.*

*Quarterly Report:*

*The library has served the community in several way this past quarter: Food for Fines; Cookies and Cocoa with Santa; Halloween Costume Swap; etc. Upcoming events include the Mansfield Reads program, Pickle Parade, and Music Alley. The library continues to increase its programming, number of visitors, and circulation and needs a budget line for an adult services librarian to manage the growing patronage.*

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

*The board and staff reviewed the meeting format for the Strategic Plan session*

*scheduled for January 18, 2025.*

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

*None*

8. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Richard Ajenikoko suggested an idea for strategic planning that included reviving the former "Mansfield Writes" program in which local writers did writing workshops for the community.*

*Next meeting February 12, 2025*

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting was adjourned by President Bobby Quinten at 6:48 PM.*

**CERTIFICATION**

All meetings of the Mansfield Public Library Advisory Board and its committees are open to the public.

I certify that this agenda was posted at the main entrance and on the web site of the Mansfield Public Library by 6:00 p.m., on January 3, 2025, in accordance with City policy.

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Yolanda Botello, MLS  
City Librarian