



**THE LIBRARY COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
23, April, 2012**

**The Library Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, April 23, 2012 at the Austin History Center at 810 Guadalupe St. in Austin, Texas**

**Chair Wendy Price Todd called the Board Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.**

**Board Members in Attendance:** Chair Wendy Price Todd, Patricia Dabbert, Sharon Kahn, Carol Martin, Peggy Pleasant, and Olga Wise

**Board Members Absent:** Vice Chair Ben Ornelas

**Staff in Attendance:** Toni Lambert, Assistant Director of Libraries; John Gillum, Facilities Process Manager; Karen Baker, Central Library Services Manager; Joe Faulk, Information Systems and Business Enterprise Manager; Brazos Price, Virtual Library Administrator and Toni Grasso, Administrative Manager

- 1. Citizen Communication:** Regina Buono, Board Member with Austin Public Library Friends Foundation (APLFF) introduced herself.
- 2. Approval of Minutes from March 26, 2012 Regular Meeting**  
**Motion to approve the minutes as written by Commission Member Dabbert and second by Commission Member Wise passed on a 6-0-0 vote**  
Those members voting aye were: Chair Price Todd, and Commission Members Dabbert, Kahn, Martin, Pleasant and Wise.  
Other: Vice Chair Ornelas was absent
- 3. Presentations: Materials Reorganization at Faulk Central Library**  
Karen Baker, Central Library Services Manager discussed the need for reorganization to accommodate the amount of materials being bought from CIP money over the next four years.
- 4. Presentations: The Austin Public Library's Best Managed Project**  
Joe Faulk, Information Systems and Business Enterprise Manager and Brazos Price Virtual Library Administrator presented information on the new catalog that will be available with the BiblioCommons contract.
- 5. Old Business**
  - a. Bond Development Meeting Briefings  
Commission Member Wise attended the April 19, meeting and spoke to the committee. The Library Budget Resolution passed in March will be sent to the Capitol Planning Office and the Bond Development Task Force.

- b. Renaming of the Oak Springs Branch to Willie Mae Kirk Branch  
The date for the renaming has not been set; the signage is still in the design phase.
- c. Opening of Dell Discovery Lab at the Willie Mae Kirk Branch  
The grand opening is scheduled for Saturday, May 12 from 2 p.m.-4 p.m.
- d. New Fiction Confab  
The Confab was held Saturday, April 21. Chair Price Todd attended the Writing Workshop for Teens at ATO. Commission Members Kahn and Wise attended the Writing Workshop for Older Adults.

**6. New Business**

- a. New Central Library Update – including Art in Public Places (AIPP)  
The last round of floor plans presented did not meet with APL’s expectations and are be reworked. There are three AIPP projects, two have commissions in place.
- b. Dia del los Ninos/Dia de los Libros  
Will be held on Saturday, April 28 at the ASE branch.
- c. Branch Liaison Briefings  
Commission Member Kahn visited AYB and spoke with RBOM Diane Palan and Frank Schmitzer, branch manager of AOK. Issues discussed was the lack of staffing and the workload of the RBOMs. Also the fine policy and the time it takes to collect fines.
- d. Staff Briefings
  - 1) Facilities Update: see Director’s Report
  - 2) The 2012 READ Poster is out and the 2011 poster won the Texas Library Association’s Branding Iron Awards Print Advertising category
  - 3) Frost Bank is opening a new branch on William Cannon and donating \$2,500 to AOK. They have also approached APL about putting in computers in lower income areas to give access to financial management
  - 4) The Austin Chronicle’s Spelling Bee will be Thursday, May 10 at Threadgill’s
  - 5) The Literacy Coalition’s Literacy Illuminates awareness campaign kicks off May 9. Dave Inabnitt, Tom Moran and Toni Lambert are all members of the Literacy Campaign Advisory Committee, which met several times over the last few months at the office of the Literacy Coalition to develop and plan the campaign, including selection of the name and logo. The committee members assisted in gathering information and statistics, testing of the website, and the review of campaign materials and publicity. Additional committee meetings may be called as further input is needed.

**7. Future Agenda Items:**

- a. Marketing and Public Information Presentation

**Adjourn:** Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:01 p.m. without objection.