

THE LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING 23, March, 2016

The Library Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, March 23, 2016 at the Austin History Center, 810 Guadalupe St. in Austin, Texas.

Chair Patricia Dabbert called the Board Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Patricia Dabbert, Vice Chair Chad Williams, Commission Members, Cindy Fisher, Emily Hersh, Scott MacLeod and Steven Self,

Board Members Absent: Commission Member Roxanne Bogucka, Aimee Finney, Wendy Price Todd and Lynne Wiggins

Staff in Attendance: Brenda Branch, Director of Libraries, Toni Lambert, Assistant Director for Public Services; John Gillum, Facilities Process Manager and Sharon Herfurth, Library Division Manager

1. Citizen Communication: Carlos León talked about computer access at the Manchaca Road Branch and requested that the building plaque at Old Quarry Branch be cleaned.

2. Approval of Minutes from February 24, 2016 Regular Meeting

The minutes from the meeting of February 24, 2016 were approved on Vice Chair Williams' motion, Commission Member Hersh's second on a 6-0 vote. Commission Members Bogucka, Finney, Price Todd and Wiggins absent.

3. Presentation: Austin History Center Expansion & Feasibility Study

Mike Miller, Library Services Manager, Austin History Center, gave a presentation about the Austin History Center's plans for expansion into the Faulk Central Library and restoration of the Austin History Center building.

4. Discussion of Capital Metro Stop in front of the Austin History Center

John Gillum, Facilities Process Manager, reported on his meeting with Capital Metro staff concerning the stop.

5. Discussion of tour of Library branches

Two van tours were proposed; the first a tour of three north branches and the second a tour of three south branches. The tours will take place on a Saturday, with a start time about 10:30 a.m. The Library Commission Chair will send potential dates via email.

6. Branch Liaison Briefings: Commission Member MacLeod reported on the French Afternoon program at the Hampton Branch at Oak Hill. Commission Member Hersh noted that APL staff will present Read Play Grow early literacy training to student parents at Lanier High School. Commission Member Self participated in a My Library Keeps Me Healthy health screening at the Terrazas Branch. Commission Member Fisher participated in the Books & Beer event sponsored by APL and the Texas State Library & Archives Commission.

7. Announcements:

The Milwood Branch will not have reopened in time to hold the April Library Commission meeting there. The meeting will be held at the Austin History Center instead. The Austin Public Library Employee Awards program will be held April 8, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., at the Norris Conference Center. Sarah Bird will be the guest speaker.

8. Future Agenda Items:

Presentation on the My Library Keeps Me Healthy grant and services to the homeless

Adjourn: Chair Dabbert adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m. without objection.