



**THE LIBRARY COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
24 July, 2017**

**The Library Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, July 24, 2017 at the Twin Oaks Branch, 1800 S. First St., in Austin, Texas.**

**Commission Vice Chair Cindy Fisher called the Board Meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.**

**Board Members in Attendance:** Vice Chair Cindy Fisher, Commission Members Patricia Dabbert, Aimee Finney, Catherine Hanna, Philip Howry, Steven Self and Wendy Price Todd.

**Board Members Absent:** Chair Chad Williams, Commission Members Roxanne Bogucka, Emily Hersh and Lynne Wiggins.

**Staff in Attendance:** Toni Lambert, Interim Director of Libraries and Sharon Herfurth, Division Manager, Office of Programs & Partnerships.

- 1. Citizen Communication:** Ray Cabrera talked about the importance of getting the community involved with Austin Public Library.
- 2. Approval of Minutes from June 26, 2017 Regular Meeting:**

The minutes for the regular meeting of June 26, 2017 were approved with the following amendment on Commission Member Dabbert's motion and Commission Member Hanna's second on a 7-0 vote. Chair Williams and Commission Members Bogucka, Hersh, and Wiggins absent. The amendment was that the adjournment time was changed from 7:19 p.m. to 8:19 p.m.
- 3. Briefing:** Library Security and Custodial Challenges, Manager, Facilities Process, Austin Public Library  
John Gillum was absent and the briefing rescheduled to the August 28, 2017, regular meeting.
- 4. Old Business:** None
- 5. New Business:**
  - a. Discussion and possible action on creating a workgroup to write a recommendation in support of the Library's FY18 Forecast Budget  
The motion to create a workgroup to write a budget recommendation was made by Commission Member Hanna with a second from Commission Member Finney. Following discussion of the Chair rather than a workgroup drafting a recommendation, Commission Member Hanna withdrew the motion.

**6. Working Group Report**

Commission members Fisher, Hanna and Finney reported that they are in the process of meeting with community groups and plan to have a report for the Library Commission by the end of the calendar year.

**7. Branch liaison briefings:**

Commissioner Dabbert visited Recycled Reads. Commissioner Self visited North Village and met with the Branch Manager. Commissioner Finney attended one of the Adult Summer Reading Program events, and Commissioner Todd went to Faulk Central and Carver Branch.

**8. Questions About the Director's Report:**

Questions were asked about the reduction in collection size due to weeding and about the interview process for the Library Director position.

Dave Inabnitt, Acting Assistant Director for Public Services, was introduced.

A suggestion was made to include major staffing changes in the Director's Report.

**9. Announcements:**

The AISD Back to School Bash is August 12. Austin Public Library will have a table there.

**10. Future Agenda Items:**

Security challenges at APL; Budget update

**Adjourn:** Vice Chair Fisher adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m. without objection.