

# THE LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING 28 August, 2017

The Library Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, August 28, 2017 at the St. John Branch, 7500 Blessing Ave., in Austin, Texas.

Commission Chair Chad Williams called the Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Board Members in Attendance:** Chair Chad Williams, Vice Chair Cindy Fisher, Commission Members Roxanne Bogucka, Patricia Dabbert, Aimee Finney, Catherine Hanna, Emily Hersh, Steven Self and Wendy Price Todd, and Lynne Wiggins.

**Board Members Absent:** Commission Member Philip Howry.

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

- 1. Citizen Communication: Carlos Leon talked about materials in the teen collection.
- **2. Introductions and Welcome:** St. John Branch Manager Vivien Addison provided an overview of the branch.
- 3. Approval of Minutes from July 24, 2017 Regular Meeting:

The minutes for the regular meeting of July 24, 2017 were approved with the following amendment on Commission Member Todd's motion and Commission Member Hanna's second on a 10-0 vote. Commission Member Howry absent. The amendment was to delete the sentence about Commission Member Hanna withdrawing the motion to create a workgroup to write a recommendation in support of the Library's FY18 Forecast Budget.

- **4. Briefing:** Library Security and Custodial Challenges, Manager, Facilities Process, Austin Public Library
  - John Gillum provided information about the Library's current challenges with security and custodial matters.
- **5. Old Business:** Recommendation 20170828-5a supporting the Library's FY18 Proposed Budget was approved on Commission Member Dabbert's motion and Commission Member Hersh's second on a 10-0 vote. Commission Member Howry absent.

#### 6. New Business:

- a. Election of Parliamentarian Vice Chair Fisher nominated Commission Member Self with a second by Commission Member Dabbert. Having no other nominations, Commission Member Self was elected Parliamentarian on a 10-0 vote. Commission Member Howry absent.
- b. Discussion and possible action on Recommendation 20170828-6b in support of increased funding for Library materials in the FY18 Budget.

No action taken.

- c. Discussion and possible action on Recommendation 2017828-6c in support of bond funding for redevelopment of Faulk Central Library into an archival facility. No action taken.
- d. Discussion and possible action on Recommendation 20170828-6d in support of funding for a new Facilities Master Plan and Strategic Plan for Austin Public Library.

Recommendation 20170828-6d was approved with the following amendment on Commission Member Hanna's motion and Commission Member Wiggin's second on a 10-0 vote.

Commission Member Howry absent. The amendment was to delete Strategic Plan from the recommendation.

## 7. Working Group Report: none

## 8. Branch liaison briefings:

Commissioner Wiggins visited Old Quarry Branch and met with the Branch Manager. Vice Chair Fisher visited the Willie Mae Kirk Branch and met with the Branch Manager. Commission Member Self visited Recycled Reads Bookstore.

### 9. Questions About the Director's Report:

Questions were asked about the process for hiring the new Library Director and about plans for the Grand Opening day at the New Central Library.

#### 10. Announcements:

PARKing Day will be September 15. APL will participate.

The Texas Library Association and Texas State Library and Archives Commission are organizing disaster relief funds for libraries affected by Hurricane Harvey.

#### 10. Future Agenda Items:

Youth Summer Reading ReCap

**Adjourn:** Chair Williams adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m. without objection.