



**THE LIBRARY COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
23 April, 2018**

**The Library Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, April 23, 2018 at the Ruiz Branch Library, 1600 Grove Blvd., in Austin, Texas.**

**Chair Chad Williams called the Board Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.**

**Board Members in Attendance:** Chair Chad Williams, Commission Members Roxanne Bogucka, Aimee Finney, Catherine Hanna, Emily Hersh, Steven Self, Wendy Price Todd

**Board Members Absent:** Vice Chair Cindy Fisher and Commission Member Patricia Dabbert

**Staff in Attendance:** Roosevelt Weeks, Director of Libraries, Dana McBee, Assistant Director of Library Support Services, Anne Bramblett, Assistant Director of Public Services, Sharon Herfurth, Division Manager, Office of Programs & Partnerships, and John Gillum, Facilities Process Manager

- 1. Citizen Communication:** Susanne Vaughan spoke about parking at the Central Library. Scott Johnson spoke about mental health services.
- 2. Introductions and Welcome:** Chair Williams welcomed Barbara Harris, Manager, Manchaca Road Branch Library.
- 3. Approval of Minutes from March 24, 2018 Regular Meeting:**  
The minutes of the regular meeting were approved on Commission Member Finney's motion and Commission Member Hanna's second on a 7-0 vote. Vice Chair Fisher and Commission Member Dabbert absent.
- 4. Briefing: Youth Summer Reading & Adult Summer Reading Programs 2018**  
Sharon Herfurth, Division Manager, Office of Programs & Partnerships, gave the briefing.
- 5. Old Business:**
  - a. Discussion and possible action on Library Commission Recommendation 20180326-5a: Staff Position to Coordinate Homelessness Engagement and Education  
The Recommendation was approved on Commission Member Hanna's motion and Chair Williams' second on a 7-0 vote. Vice Chair Fisher and Commission Member Dabbert absent.

**6. New Business:**

a. Election of Officers: Elections for Chair – Commission Member Hanna nominated Chair Williams for Chair with a second by Commission Member Finney. Having no other nominations, Chad Williams was elected Chair on a 7-0 vote. Vice Chair Fisher and Commission Member Dabbert absent.

Elections for Vice Chair – Commission Member Hersh nominated Commission Member Hanna for Vice Chair with a second by Commission Member Finney. Having no other nominations, Catherine Hanna was elected Vice Chair on a 7-0 vote. Vice Chair Fisher and Commission Member Dabbert absent.

Elections for Parliamentarian – Commission Member Finney nominated Commission Member Self for Parliamentarian with a second by Vice Chair Hanna. Having no other nominations, Steven Self was elected Parliamentarian on a 7-0 vote. Vice Chair Fisher and Commission Member Dabbert absent.

b. Update and discussion related to Library Rules and City Rules for Public Use of City Properties and whether citizens can distribute materials, including petitions for signature on Austin Public Library property.  
Proposed changes will be an item on the May agenda.

**7. Discussion of Director’s Monthly Report for March 2018 covering programming highlights, volunteer services, revenue, and policy violation statistics:**

Commissioners asked about security incidents at the Central Library, and the status for the Cookbook Café opening and the Austin History Center art restoration project.

**8. Discussion of commissioner visits to branch libraries:**

Commission member Todd led a group from the Dell Design Institutes for Health on a tour of the Central Library.

**9. Announcements related to Community Events**

The SoCo Women’s Chorus will perform at the Central Library on April 29.

**10. Future Agenda Items:**

FY19 Library Forecast Budget presentation

Discussion and possible action related to proposed changes to Library Rules and City Rules for Public Use of City Properties and whether citizens can distribute materials, including petitions for signature on Austin Public Library property.

**Adjourn:** Chair Williams adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m. without objection.