



**THE LIBRARY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
24 June, 2019**

The Library Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, June 24, 2019 at the Manchaca Road Branch, 5500 Manchaca Rd., in Austin, Texas.

Chair Hanna called the Board Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Commission Members Patricia Dabbert, JC Dwyer, Aimee Finney, Catherine Hanna, Deborah Pardo-Kaplan, Daniella Ramos, Steven Self, Beth Smyer, and Chad Williams

Board Members Absent: none

Staff in Attendance: Dana McBee, Assistant Director for Library Support Services; Anne Bramblett, Assistant Director for Public Services; Rachel Nguyen, Communications Manager, John Daniels, Facilities Planning Manager, Sharon Herfurth, Division Manager, Office of Programs & Partnerships, Emi Johnson, Business Process Consultant, Patti Fowler, Division Manager, Central Library; Wendy Harrison, Financial Manager; Joe Faulk, Technology Director; Pamela Bowles, Division Manager, Branch Services; and Chip Pryor, IT Supervisor Sr.

- 1. Citizen Communication:** Carlos Leon spoke about computers at APL. Wendy Price Todd spoke about the need to be able to donate to the Library through the APL website and about the Social Justice Book Club at the Twin Oaks Branch.
- 2. Approval of Minutes from the April 22, 2019 Regular Meeting:**
The minutes of the regular meeting were approved on Commission Member Williams' motion and Commission Member Dwyer's second on a 9-0 vote.
- 3. Introductions and Welcome:** Chair Hanna introduced new Library Commission member Daniella Ramos.
Briefing: Austin History Center Association, Chair Lee Cooke updated the commission on activities and goals of the Austin History Center Association.
Briefing: Internet Access and Bandwidth at Branches, Joe Faulk, Manager, Information Systems & Business Enterprise, gave a status report on bandwidth at branches.

4. Old Business:

- a. Update and discussion on changes to Library Card Non-Resident fees. Dana McBee, Assistant Director for Support Services, reported that there will be no changes to the Non-Resident card fees for FY20.
- b. Update on FY20 Forecast Budget. Wendy Harrison, Financial Manager gave the update.
- c. Discussion and possible action on FY20 budget recommendations. No action taken.

5. New Business:

- a. Recycled Reads working group report
Citizens Nancy Harris and Chip Harris spoke. Deborah Pardo-Kaplan gave the report. Discussion and possible action about Recycled Reads will be carried over to the July meeting.

6. Discussion of Director's Monthly Report for March 2019 covering programming highlights, volunteer services, revenue, and policy updates:

Questions were asked about the reopening date for the Hampton Branch; the source of furniture for Library facilities; council approval of the Faulk roof replacement project; and teen policy updates.

7. Discussion of commissioner visits to branch libraries:

Commission Member Self volunteered for the PRIDE Prom at Central. Commission Member Williams met with Michael Barnes of the Austin American-Statesman at the North Village Branch. Chair Hanna and her mother visited several branches and enjoyed the book displays.

8. Future Agenda Items:

Civic Engagement Activities
Public/Private Partnerships

Adjourn: Chair Hanna adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m. without objection.