



**THE LIBRARY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
23 September, 2019**

The Library Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, September 23, 2019 at the Carver Branch, 1161 Angelina St., in Austin, Texas.

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

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

Board Members Absent: Commission Members Beth Smyer, and Chad Williams

Staff in Attendance: Anne Bramblett, Assistant Director for Public Services; Dana McBee, Assistant Director for Support 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; Pamela Bowles, Division Manager, Branch Services; and Joe Faulk, Information Systems Manager

- 1. Citizen Communication:** Jelina Tunstill spoke about the Community Action Network (CAN).
- 2. Approval of Minutes from the August 26, 2019 Regular Meeting:**
The minutes of the regular meeting were approved on Commission Member Dabbert's motion and Vice Chair Finney's second on a 7-0 vote. Commission Members Smyer and Williams absent.
- 3. Introductions and Welcome:** Doreen Boyd, Carver Branch Manager, gave an update about branch activities.
- 4. Briefing: Summer Reading Wrap-Up**
Sharon Herfurth, Division Manager, Office of Programs & Partnerships, gave an overview of 2019 Summer Reading for youth programs and participation.
- 5. Old Business: none**

6. New Business:

a. Discussion of briefing and agenda topics for future meetings, October – December 2019

The following topics were suggested: Civic Engagement (October); APL Bookmobile services; Collections in foreign languages; Fine Free Libraries; APL Strategic Plan; Collection Development overview; Marketing of Recycled Reads and APL; Youth Task Force Update; Library Foundation; Revenue Generation; Equity of Services; Library Trends and how APL can Incorporate them; Library Commission Alignment with SD23

b. Discussion and possible action on a Recommendation to add a youth member to the Library Commission.

No action was taken.

7. Discussion of Director’s Monthly Report for August 2019 covering programming highlights, volunteer services, revenue, and policy updates:

Questions from commissioners included: How did the Library budget come out for FY20? Is there an APL organizational chart? What is planned for the Hampton Branch at Oak Hill reopening? Is there a public participation component to Library renovations?

8. Discussion of commissioner visits to branch libraries:

Chair Hanna attended *The Legacy of Earl Campbell* book event at Central. Commissioner Ramos attended the Celebrating Musica Chicana event at Central.

8. Future Agenda Items:

Civic Engagement at APL for October

Adjourn: Chair Hanna adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m. without objection.