



**THE LIBRARY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
24 January, 2022**

The Library Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, January 24, 2022 at the Central Library, 710 W Cesar Chavez, in Austin, Texas.

Chair Dabbert called the Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Pat Dabbert, Vice Chair Steven Self and Commission Members Julia Aguilar, JC Dwyer, Eric Frierson, Lynda Infante, Ryan Marquess, Courtney Rosenthal, and Mark Smith

Board Members Absent: Commission Member Lily Trieu

Citizen Communication: General none

1. Welcome and Introductions

Chair Dabbert welcomed the Commission members

2. Approval of Minutes from the December 13, 2021 Regular Meeting

The minutes of the regular meeting were approved on a 9-0 vote.

Commission Member Trieu absent.

3. Briefings: Town hall meetings on Digital Inclusion in partnership with the Community

Technology and Telecommunications Commission was given by Nehemiah Pitts, Chair, Community Technology & Telecommunications Commission and Khotan Harmon, Consultant, Telecommunications & Regulatory Affairs, Financial Services Dept.

Austin History Center Volunteer Services was given by Paul Lopez, Volunteer Services & Internship Program Coordinator

4. Old Business: none

5. New Business

a. Discussion and possible action on Fine Free Libraries working group draft

Recommendation 20220124-5a: Eliminate Late Fees at Austin Public Library.

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6. Discussion of Director's Monthly Report for January covering programming highlights, facilities, and APL Priorities

Director Weeks gave the report.

7. Future Agenda Items

Facilities Update

Recycled Reads Update

Freedom to Read | book challenges

Planning Retreat

Use of Central Rental Spaces

Adjournment: Chair Dabbert adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m. without objection.