



**THE LIBRARY COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
29 June, 2022**

**The Library Commission convened in a Special Called Meeting on Wednesday, June 29, 2022 at the Twin Oaks Branch, 1800 S 5<sup>th</sup> St in Austin, Texas.**

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

**Board Members in Attendance:** Chair Mark Smith, Vice-Chair Lynda Infante, Commission Members Julia Aguilar, Pat Dabbert, JC Dwyer, Cristina Masters, Courtney Rosenthal, and Steven Self,

**Board Members Absent:** none

**Citizen Communication: General**

Carlos León spoke about his concerns with the library.

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

Chair Smith welcomed the Commission members and took roll call of members present.

**2. Approval of Minutes from the May 23, 2022 Special Called Meeting**

Public comment was given by Carlos León.

The minutes of the regular meeting were approved with the following amendments on Commission Member Dabbert's motion and Commission Member Rosenthal's second on an 8-0 vote. The amendments were: Public Communication: General: Change "Carlos Leon spoke about library computers and security" to "Carlos León spoke about his concerns with the library."

**Briefing: Austin Public Library FY23 Budget Overview and Forecast** was given by Wendy Harrison, Financial Manager II

**3. Old Business:** none

**4. New Business**

a. Discussion on voter engagement at Austin Public Library

Public comment was given by Carlos León.

Presentation was made by Bruce Elfant, Travis County Voter Registrar and Valerie DeBill League of Women Voters Austin, Voter Registration & Turnout Director

b. Discussion of Enhanced Library Cards.

Vice Chair Infante led the discussion. Chair Smith appointed a working group with Vice Chair Infante, Commission Member Dabbert, and staff member Emi Johnson.

The retreat will be held Saturday, June 18, 2022 10 a.m. to noon, at the Central Library.

- c. Discussion of the Library Commission Annual Internal Review and Report covering July 2021 through June 2022.

Chair Smith will prepare the Annual Review and send to commission members for comment.

**5. Discussion of Director's Monthly Report for May covering programming highlights, facilities, and APL Priorities**

Director of Libraries, Roosevelt Weeks, gave the report.

**6. Future Agenda Items**

Public comment was given by Carlos León.

Form working groups for Library Commission Training and Development and Community Engagement

Update from Freedom to Read working group

Update from Enhanced Library Card working group and draft recommendation

FY23 Austin Public Library Budget recommendation

Presentation from CapMetro

**Adjournment:** Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m. without objection.