

# THE LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING 27, February, 2023

The Library Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, February 27, 2023 at the Yarborough Branch Library 2200 Hancock Drive, 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 Huerta, Commission Members Pat Dabbert, Courtney Rosenthal, Cristina Masters, JC Dwyer, Tori Vogel and Gabriel Nwajiaku, Melanie Haupt

Board Members Absent: Commission Members Julia Aguilar, Steven Self

**Public Communication: General** 

None

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of Minutes from the January 23, 2023 Regular Meeting
The minutes of the regular meeting were approved on Commission Member Vogel's motion and
Commissioner Dabbert's second on an 8-0 vote. Commission Members Julia Aguilar, Steven
Self absent.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

2. Discussion of Change of Date to June Commission Meeting

Chair Smith informed the Commission that due to a schedule conflict, the May 22, 2023 meeting of the Commission will be cancelled and a Special Called Commission meeting will be scheduled for May 15, 2023.

3. Discussion of Library Commission's Recommendations for FY 2023-24 Budget

The Commission will plan to discuss and take action on recommendations for the FY2023 Budget at its April meeting.

**4.** Discussion of the February Director's Report covering public programming highlights, facilities, and APL priorities

Director of Libraries, Roosevelt Weeks, gave the report.

#### DISCUSSION ITEMS AND ACTION ITEMS

5. Discussion and possible action on Legislative Developments

Chair Smith led the discussion and asked the Legislative Issues Working Group to continue to monitor and update the Commission at future meetings.

**6.** Discussion and possible action on Commission's participation in community engagement opportunities

Chair Smith led the discussion with Commission Members offering examples of opportunities to coordinate and participate in community engagement events in their branch libraries and districts.

## WORKING GROUP UPDATES

7. Update from Legislative Issues Working Group

Commissioner Rosenthal gave the update.

## **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Community Engagement Opportunities Legislative Developments APL Budget Recommendations Library Commission Retreat

Adjournment: Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m. without objection.