

THE LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING 28, February, 2011

The Library Commission convened in a regular Meeting on Monday, February 28, 2011 at the Austin History Center at 810 Guadalupe St. in Austin, Texas.

Chair Carol Martin called the Board Meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Carol Martin, Vice Chair Wendy Price Todd, Carolyn

Goldston, Gretchen Hoffmann and Ben Ornelas

Board Members Absent: David Kobierowski and Gloria Meraz

Staff in Attendance: Brenda Branch, Director of Libraries; Toni Lambert, Assistant Director of Libraries; John Gillum, Facilities Planning Manager; Mike Miller, Library Services Manager; Toni

Grasso, Administrative Manager

1. Citizen Communication: None

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the Regular Called Meeting of 1/24/2011 were approved on Commission Member Ornelas' motion and Commission Member Hoffmann's second on a 4-0-1 vote. Those members voting aye were: Chair Martin, Vice Chair Price Todd and Commission Members Hoffman, and Ornelas

Abstained – Commission Member Goldston abstained

Other – Commission Members Kobierowski and Meraz were absent

3. Presentation: 5X5Y: 25 Years of SXSW Music

Mike Miller; Library Services Manager, Austin History Center

The exhibit, which runs through July 31, has been in the works for 2 years and will also coincide with the 20th anniversary of Austin being the Live Music Capital of the World. The exhibit will officially kick off on Saturday, March 5, with the 5X5Y Fest. 5X5Y Fest begins with a panel discussion with two of the founders of SXSW, followed by a free concert on the steps of AHC and movies in the park.

4. Unfinished Business:

a. Discussion and Action on the Revised Bylaws

Motion to approve the bylaws as presented was approved on Vice Chair Price Todd's motion and Commission Member Hoffman's second on a 5-0-0 vote.

Those members voting aye were: Chair Martin, Vice Chair Price Todd and Commission Members Goldston, Hoffman, and Ornelas

Other – Commission Members Kobierowski and Meraz were absent

b. Selection of Winners for APL Annual Employee Recognition Awards Winners were determined by the Library Commission

5. New Business

a. Branch Liaison Briefings

Chair Martin visited the Oak Springs Branch

Vice Chair Price Todd commented on the remarkable numbers at the Twin Oaks Branch

Commission Member Ornelas asked about the need for more power strips for laptops at the Spicewood Springs Branch

Commission Member Goldston visited the Old Quarry Branch and Yarborough Branch during their holiday party, open house and book sale

- b. Staff Briefings -
 - 1) APL is working on a contract for downloadable material that can be used for all hand-held devices except the Amazon Kindle.
 - 2) Facilities Update: see Director's Report
 - 3) The CIP budget is due March 18, to the Capital Planning Office. The final recommendations will go to the Planning Commission in May, who will make recommendations to the City Manager in June. The City Manager will make recommendations to City Council on the CIP budget in July. The Commission requested an excel spreadsheet with APL's projects listed in order of priority; also this will be brought back as an agenda item.
 - 4) Update of March calendar of events

6. Future Agenda Items

a. Update from Commission liaison on Imagine Austin Comprehensive Plan

Adjourn: Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m. without objection.