



**THE LIBRARY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
24, September, 2012**

The Library Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, September 24, 2012 at the Howson Branch, 2500 Exposition Blvd in Austin, Texas

Chair Wendy Price Todd called the Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Wendy Price Todd, Vice Chair Ben Ornelas, Patricia Dabbert, Sharon Kahn, Peggy Pleasant and Olga Wise

Board Members Absent:

Staff in Attendance: Brenda Branch, Director of Libraries; Toni Lambert, Assistant Director of Libraries; John Gillum, Facilities Process Manager; Sue Soy, Development Administrator and Toni Grasso, Administrative Manager

1. Citizen Communication: None

2. Approval of Minutes from August 27, 2012 Regular Called Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes as written by Commission Member Pleasant and second by Vice Chair Ben Ornelas passed on a 4-2-0 vote

Those members voting aye were: Chair Price Todd, Vice Chair Ben Ornelas and Commission Members Kahn and Pleasant.

Other: Members Dabbert and Wise abstained

3. Presentation: APL Grants

Sue Soy, Development Administrator

Division Managers and the Development Administrator work together on all the grants that APL applies for. Many organizations will not give a grant to a government entity, therefore City departments work with non-profits, such as Friend Groups. The City competes for grants with over 6,000 non-profits in the Austin area.

4. Old Business

a. Discussion on Changing Times for Future Meetings

Motion by Commission Member Wise and Commission Member Dabbert's second to change the time of future Library Commission meeting from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m. passed on a 6-0-0 vote

Those members voting aye were: Chair Price Todd, Vice Chair Ben Ornelas and Commission Members Dabbert, Kahn, Pleasant and Wise

5. New Business

a. Branch Liaison Briefings

1) Commission Member Wise attended the Mock Appeals Trial of Porter's Embezzlement Conviction at the AHC on September 15.

b. Staff Briefings

- 1) Facilities Update: see Director's Report
 - a) New Central Library 60% Schematic Design will be presented to City Council September 27, 2012
 - b) The Willie Mae Kirk renaming ceremony will take place on Saturday, October 6, 2012 at 11am.
- 2) The Austin Teen Book Festival will be September 29, at the Palmer Events Center from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p. m.
- 3) Effective October 1, the Sunday hours at the Carver Branch will transfer to the Ruiz Branch.
- 4) Effective October 1, customers will only be able to request 1 item at a time from Interlibrary Loans, this includes hold request.
- 5) The Ruiz and Southeast Branches will be hosting a series of workshops called "Pathways to College"
- 6) The North Village will host a program called "Experience Brazil" throughout the month of October.

7. Future Agenda Item: Officer Elections

Adjourn: Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m. without objection.