



**THE LIBRARY COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING
23 July, 2018**

The Library Commission convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, July 23, 2018 at the North Village Branch Library, 2505 Steck Ave., in Austin, Texas.

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

Board Members in Attendance: Chair Chad Williams, Vice Chair Catherine Hanna, and Commission Members Roxanne Bogucka, Aimee Finney, Deborah Pardo-Kaplan, and Wendy Price Todd

Board Members Absent: Commission Members Patricia Dabbert, Cindy Fisher, Emily Hersh, and Steven Self

Staff in Attendance: Roosevelt Weeks, Director of Libraries, Dana McBee, Assistant Director of Library Support Services, Anne Bramblett, Assistant Director for Public Services, Sharon Herfurth, Division Manager, Office of Programs & Partnerships, and John Gillum, Facilities Process Manager

1. Citizen Communication: Carlos Leon spoke about information sources.

2. Approval of Minutes from June 25, 2018 Regular Meeting:

The minutes of the regular meeting were approved with the following amendment on Commission Member Todd's motion and Vice Chair Hanna's second on a 6-0 vote. Commission Members Dabbert, Finney, Hersh, and Self absent. The amendment was to add to Item 7 that Commissioner Todd requested an updated org chart for the Library.

3. Introductions and Welcome: Chair Williams welcomed Michael Abramov, Managing Librarian, North Village Branch.

4. Staff Introduction: Rachel Nguyen, Communications Manager, Austin Public Library, introduced herself and talked about her background.

Staff Briefing: American Library Association 2018 Annual Conference: Anne Bramblett, Assistant Manager for Public Services and Roosevelt Weeks, Director, Austin Public Library, gave highlights of the ALA Annual Conference and APL staff's participation in the conference.

5. Old Business:

a. Discussion and possible action on: Library Use Rules – Working Group Report
No action was taken. The item will placed on the August agenda.

6. New Business:

- a. Discussion of forming a workgroup to draft FY19 Budget Recommendations
Chair Williams will draft a budget recommendation.
- b. Discussion of Library Commission Annual Internal Review
Commissioners discussed Chair Williams' draft of the Annual Internal Review.

7. Discussion of Director's Monthly Report for June 2018 covering programming highlights, volunteer services, revenue, and policy violation statistics:

Commissioners asked how the Café at Central is affecting the patron count; why the number of items that can be checked out monthly from HOOPLA is changing; what APL will be doing at the Texas Book Festival; what the status of the AISD card initiative is; what is happening with the renovation plans for the Yarborough Branch; and if the planned Faulk Building roof replacement is on schedule.

8. Discussion of commissioner visits to branch libraries:

Commission Member Finney tried out the exterior bookdrop at Manchaca Road Branch now that the traffic pattern has been reconfigured to give easy access to the bookdrop.

9. Announcements related to Community Events

The FACT Book Club meets at the North Village and Milwood branches.
ArmadilloCon, Austin's Literary Sci Fi convention, will be held August 3-5 at the Omni Southpark.

10. Future Agenda Items:

- Discussion of draft budget recommendations
- Discussion and possible action on Library Use Rules – Working Group Report
- Discussion on a Liaison role to the Austin Public Library Foundation and the Austin History Center Association

Adjourn: Chair Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m. without objection.