



**THE LIBRARY COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
18 April, 2022**

**The Library Commission convened in a Special Called Meeting on Monday, April 18, 2022 at the Manchaca Road Branch Library, 5500 Manchaca Rd, in Austin, Texas.**

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

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

**Board Members Absent:** Commission Members Julia Aguilar, Eric Frierson, and Ryan Marquess

**Citizen Communication: General**  
None

**1. Welcome and Introductions**

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

**2. Approval of Minutes from the February 24, 2022 Special Called Meeting**

The minutes of the regular meeting were approved on a 7-0 vote.

Commission Members Aguilar, Frierson, and Marquess absent.

**3. Briefings: Library Facility Bond Projects Update** was given by John Daniels, Division Manager, Facility Services

**4. Old Business:** none

**5. New Business**

**a. Election of Officers**

Elections for Chair – Chair Dabbert nominated Commission Member Smith. Having no other nominations, Mark Smith was elected Chair on a 7-0 vote. Commission Members Aguilar, Frierson, and Marquess absent.

Elections for Vice Chair – Commission Member Dabbert nominated Vice Chair Self who declined the nomination. Chair Smith nominated Commission Member Infante. Having no other nominations, Lynda Infante was elected Vice Chair on a 7-0 vote. Commission Members Aguilar, Frierson, and Marquess absent.

**b. Report from the Freedom to Read working group**

Commission Member Rosenthal gave the report.

- c. Discussion of a possible commission action on a Freedom to Read resolution and council recommendation.

A Freedom to Read Resolution was approved on Commission Member Rosenthal's motion and Commission Member Dabbert's second on a 7-0 vote. Commission Members Aguilar, Frierson, and Marquess absent.

Recommendation 20220418-5c: Freedom to Read was approved on Commission Member Rosenthal's motion and Commission Member Dwyer's second on a 7-0 vote. Commission Members Aguilar, Frierson, and Marquess absent.

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

Director of Libraries, Roosevelt Weeks, gave the report.

**7. Future Agenda Items**

Enhanced Library Cards – June 2022

Voter Engagement – May 2022

Budget Presentation – June 2022

Planning Retreat – May 2022

**Adjournment:** Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m. without objection