

**LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**January 5, 2009**

**Call to Order:**

Pursuant to Robert's Rules of order chapter 15 (XV) section 47, in the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair the secretary should call the meeting to order and the Commission should immediately elect a Chair pro tem to preside.

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Senior Office Assistant Robinson.

Commissioner Holderness was elected Chair pro tem by a unanimous nod of the head by the Commission.

**Present:**

Commissioner Blakeslee, Holderness, Ryan, Sessarego, Zahedani, Jackson, and Hindmarsh.

**Oaths of Office**

- 3.a. Lisa Ryan
- 3.b. Mary Sessarego
- 3.c. Lauren Zahedani
- 3.d. Jean Jackson
- 3.e. Jane Hindmarsh

Senior Office Assistant Robinson administered the Oath of Office.

**Election of Chair and Vice Chair Collins**

Election of Chair

Commissioner Ryan nominated Commissioner Blakeslee.

AYES:	Commissioners: Blakeslee, Holderness, Ryan, Sessarego, Zahedani, Jackson, Hindmarsh
NOES:	Commissioners: None
ABSENT	Commissioners: None
ABSTAIN:	Commissioners: None

## Election of Vice Chair

Commissioner Ryan nominated Commissioner Holderness.

AYES: Commissioners: Blakeslee, Holderness, Ryan, Sessarego, Zahedani,  
Jackson, Hindmarsh  
NOES: Commissioners: None  
ABSENT Commissioners: None  
ABSTAIN: Commissioners: None

## **Approval of Minutes**

3. a. Commissioner Ryan moved to approve the minutes of December 1, 2008 as written.  
Motion carried.

AYES: Commissioners: Blakeslee, Holderness, Ryan, Sessarego, Zahedani,  
Jackson, Hindmarsh  
NOES: Commissioners: None  
ABSENT Commissioners: None  
ABSTAIN: Commissioners: None

## **Business from the Floor**

Gail Kipp addressed the Commission regarding the following:

- Urged all to obtain and use their library cards
- Urged all to become members of the Friends of the Library
- Stressed that the main goal (of the Commission) right now is to increase the community use of the Norman R. Siefkin Public Library.
- Urged all to report back to the council member that appointed them on what the Library Commission is doing and what is happening in the library.

Gail Kipp informed the Commission that Georgia Murray is having health concerns.

## **Reports and Presentations**

7.a. Folsom Public Library Budget Update Fiscal Year 2008-09 & 2009-10

Library Director Curl stated there is nothing to report the item will be continued off-calendar.

7.b. Update on the Norman R. Siefkin Library.

Library Supervisor Galindo presented a brief update on the following topics:

- Circulation is getting busier

- Street signs have been changed to reflect the proper name of the library from Vista del Lago to Norman R. Siefkin Public Library.
- Staff is working to change all the tags on the books from VIS to NRS
- Circulation statistics went up in December.
- The door counter is fixed, next month will have decent statistics.
- Program planning to start in February and March.

Commissioner Ryan inquired on who paid the cost of the new signage, Library Director Curl responded that the City did not incur any of the cost for the signs.

#### 7.c. Orientation to Library Commission's Role, Responsibilities, and Resources.

Library Director Curl presented the staff report and encouraged each of the Commissioners to schedule some time with her to tour both libraries and learn more about the library programs being offered at both locations.

Library Director Curl presented to the commission an overview of Library Commissions including the role of an advisory commission, Folsom Library Commission webpage, an introduction to the Ralph M. Brown act, and a tour of available organizations offering training, listservs, and other resources for Library Commission members.

### **New Business**

#### 8.a Review and Approval of the Library Closure Schedule for 2009

Commission Chair Blakeslee moved to approve the Library Closure Schedule for 2009 as presented.

AYES:	Commissioners: Blakeslee, Holderness, Ryan, Sessarego, Zahedani, Jackson, Hindmarsh
NOES:	Commissioners: None
ABSENT	Commissioners: None
ABSTAIN:	Commissioners: None

### **7 Director's Report**

Library Director Curl provided the following report and responded to questions from the Library Commission.

- Library Legislative Day
- Upcoming Library Events in Adult, Children's and Teen programming.

### **Business from the Floor**

Commission Chair Blakeslee reopened Business from the Floor at this point in the meeting to have Assistant City Manager Palmer introduce himself to the Commission.

### **Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Ryan welcomed the new Commissioners.

Commissioner Ryan stated that she is looking forward to the new café.

Commissioner Jackson stated she appreciated being asked to be a part of the Library Commission.

Commissioner Zahedani stated she was excited to be part of the Library Commission and the Community.

Commissioner Holderness thanked the Commission for electing her Vice Chair.

Commissioner Holderness welcomed the new Commissioners.

Commissioner Holderness stated that Commissioner Sessarego has done a fabulous job as President of the Friends and welcomed her to the Commission.

Commissioner Holderness stated that Commissioner Hindmarsh was an original member of the Friends with Georgia Murray helping get this library open.

Commissioner Sessarego thanked Commissioner Holderness for her comment and stated she is excited to serve as both the President of the Friends and on the Library Commission.

Commissioner Sessarego stated that it was a privilege to attend Legislative Day last year with Library Director Curl and she plans to bring it up at the next Friends meeting and encourage others to participate.

Commissioner Hindmarsh stated she was happy to be here (part of the Library Commission).

Commissioner Hindmarsh thanked Commissioner Holderness for her comment

Commissioner Hindmarsh stated that in tough times the library is a wonderful resource to the Community especially for those going through hard times.

Commission Chair Blakeslee stated there is a sense of renewal with the new Commission.

Commission Chair Blakeslee stated now is the time to do what we can in both buildings. Provide lots of programs and services to the community.

Commission Chair Blakeslee thanked the Commission for electing him as Chair, and extended congratulations to Commissioner Holderness as Vice Chair.

Commission Chair Blakeslee asked that everyone keep Georgia Murray in their thoughts and remember her pioneer spirit in getting this library built.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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Janet Robinson, Senior Office Assistant