

**LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**October 4, 2010**

**1) Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Commission Chair Blakeslee.

**2) Roll Call:**

**Present:**

Commission Chair Blakeslee, Commissioners Hindmarsh, Reinking, Ryan and Sessarego.

**Absent:**

Commissioner Zahedani.

**3) Approval of Minutes**

a) July 12, 2010

Commissioner Ryan moved to approve the minutes of July 12, 2010, as written. Motion carried.

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

b) September 13, 2010

Commissioner Hindmarsh moved to approve the minutes of July 12, 2010, as written. Motion carried.

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

**4) Business from the Floor**

None

## **5) New Business**

### **a) Theodore Judah STARS Program**

Library Supervisor Galindo introduced Lynn LePage, Recreation Manager and Scott Vontroba, Recreation Coordinator for the City Parks and Recreation Department (FPRD). They presented a brief report on Theodore Judah's STARS (Students, Today, Achieving, Results) Program, the focus of which is to address the at-risk/transient children and families living in poverty in Folsom.

STARS Education mission is to offer extended educational, recreational and enrichment programs to students; support and enhance school curriculum; improve student achievement; and expand the cultural base of young people through innovative, quality programs offered by highly qualified instructors.

The Folsom Parks and Recreation Department (FPRD) is collaborating with the Theodore Judah Elementary School to operate a recreation and academic enrichment program on the campus every day after school.

In partnership with FPRD, the Folsom Public Library will ensure access to books by providing each child in the STARS program with a library card. The children in the program will have a special card for the school year that provides full access to library resources. The library card's fines and fees will be supported by the STARS program.

Recreation Coordinator Vontroba stated that they are already teaching the children in the program to use Brainfuse, the library's Out-of-School-Time online homework help program with great success.

## **6) Old Business**

### **a) Library Café Space Proposals**

Library Director Curl presented the staff report stating that under direction from City Council, library staff requested that the Friends of Folsom Library present to the Library Commission a proposal for an alternate use for the vacant space. The Friends presented an outline of their vision for the café space with some initial data at the September 13, 2010, meeting.

Following commission discussion, the matter was tabled until the October 4, 2010, Library Commission meeting to allow the Friends Board to meet and discuss whether or not to prepare and present a full proposal for use of the space at the October meeting.

The Folsom Library Friends Board met on Monday September 25, 2010. Following the board's discussion the vote was unanimous to support the café proposal at this time. The Friends are still interested in pursuing alternative ideas for expanding sales which they will explore with library staff. The Friends will continue to gather data which can be used at a future date in the event space becomes available.

Commissioner Reinking moved to approve the café space proposal as presented for Einstein Café, Nadia Shams and Meer Nazir, Operators. Motion carried.

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

## **7) Library Director's Report**

Library Director Curl presented the following items:

- National Snapshot Day, October 5, 2010
- November 13, 2010, National Gaming Day at the Georgia Murray Building.
- Susan Hildreth, former California State Librarian, has been nominated by President Obama, for Director of the Institute of Museum and Library Service.

## **8) Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Reinking stated that earlier in the month the State Board of Education approved Standards for Libraries in grades K-12.

Commissioner Reinking thanked Lynn LePage and Scott Vontroba for their STARS presentation.

Commissioner Hindmarsh concurred with Commissioner Reinking on the STARS presentation.

Commissioner Sessarego concurred as well.

Commissioner Sessarego stated she is very excited about the café.

Commissioner Ryan commented about an article in the Sacramento Bee regarding privatization of libraries, she stated how much she appreciates what our library offers.

Commissioner Ryan stated her appreciation to the Friend's Board for their support of the café.

Commission Chair Blakeslee concurred with Commissioner Ryan on the Friend's Board support of the café.

Commission Chair Blakeslee stated that he is glad the STARS program will raise awareness of Brainfuse.

Commission Chair Blakeslee reminded the Commission of the date change to November 8, 2010 for the next Library Commission meeting.

## **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.

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