

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Agenda Item No.: 3.a.

Library Commission Meeting: 08/06/2007

AMENDED LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

Special Meeting

July 9, 2007

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Chair Collins.

Present:

Commission Chair Collins, Commissioners Blakeslee, Giancoli, Holderness, Kipp, and Ryan.

Absent

Commissioner Myers.

Presentation

3.a. Assistant City Manager Evert Palmer introduced new Library Director, Katy Curl. Library Director, Curl gave a brief overview of her background and career. She stated how happy she is to be back in a city library system, similar to her experience in Idaho.

Approval of Minutes

4. a. Commissioner Kipp moved to approve the minutes of May 7, 2007. Motion carried.

AYES: Commissioners: Kipp, Ryan, Blakeslee, Giancoli, Holderness and Collins.

NOES: Commissioners: None.

ABSENT Commissioners Myers.

ABSTAIN: Commissioners: None.

Business from the Floor

5. None.

Reports and Presentations

6. a. Georgia Murray Building Library Statistics – May and June 2007

Library Technician Bulaga presented the library statistics for the months of May and June. The Folsom Library remained # 1 in area circulation rank for the Sacramento system. Chair Collins

thanked Library Technician Bulaga for all her work putting the statistics together each month. He commented how after being open for a few months it is nice to see some trends develop and on behalf of the Library Commission he requested Library Director Curl to relay to the staff how grateful the Commission is for all of their hard work and dedicated effort to maintain the level of service.

6. b. Update on the Summer Reading Program

Librarian Stephanie Bertin presented the Commission with an update on the 2007 Summer Reading Program. Over 2000 kids have signed up and over 200 teens. The numbers are very much the same as last year's. Three events for the kids and one for the teens have been held. Librarian Bertin presented a slide show of the programs. There will be an additional five programs in July, two more for teens and three for the kids. A Harry Potter party is planned (for the release of the final book) and is already full with a waiting list.

Old Business

7. c. 2007-2008 Budget Update

The 2007-2008 proposed Library Operating Budget that was presented to the Commission on March 5, 2007, was adopted by the City Council on June 26, 2007. There were no changes.

One of the major items in the upcoming budget is the opening of the Vista del Lago joint use library. Library Technician Bulaga presented a slide presentation on the progress of the construction to date.

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Ryan asked whether there were any issues with regard to the Rodeo, such as hours of operation, which should be taken into consideration for next year.

Library Technician Bulaga responded that there were not too many issues, not many complaints about closing early. Not too much damage. Would request more trash cans in the library parking lot for next year. Over all it went very well

Commissioner Holderness welcomed Katy.

Commissioner Holderness stated that in the Ladies Room (of the library), there are no waste baskets and the paper towel holders shred the paper towels

Commissioner Blakeslee welcomed Katy.

Commissioner Blakeslee commented on the dedication of the Veteran's Memorial on Memorial Day, a very moving ceremony and a nice visual with the library.

Commissioner Blakeslee commented also on the Friday night concerts in the park and how much people seemed to enjoy the new visual setting incorporated with the library and gazebo.

Commissioner Blakeslee stated that he attended the rodeo and parking did not seem to be a big issue. He thought it went very well.

Chair Collins commented on the holds (in the Circulation area) and how much nicer they look now that staff has figured out how to clean up the overall appearance, it looks much cleaner

Chair Collins stated that he and Vice Chair Kipp had attended a breakfast hosted by the City Manager, Kerry Miller, for all of the Chairs and Vice Chairs of all the City's Commissions. It was interesting to hear what each Commission is currently working on and interesting for the other Commissions to learn how the Library Commission has coordinated with other Commissions, like the Arts and Cultural for the Veteran's Memorial and the Park and Rec for the location of the library. It was also interesting to learn more about south of 50 development, in particular as to whether a new library will be considered. This item (Additional library facility in City's Sphere of Influence area) should probably be brought back to the 2007-2008 Library Commission Work Plan.

Chair Collins thanked the Friends for their recent donation, \$21,800, to the library for the 2007 Library Wish List.

Commissioner Kipp inquired about the Book Spine Display.

Library Technician Bulaga explained that the Facilities Department is currently working on the Book Spine displays.

Commissioner Kipp requested that before the book spines are attached that the artist, Leslie Kemp, be contacted to assist with the placement of the spines since the original displays that were placed in the old library had some of the book spines placed in the wrong position (direction) or upside down.

Chair Collins welcomed Katy.

Commissioner Kipp inquired whether the Folsom Library patrons had access to downloadable audio books, etc.

Library Director Curl responded that currently Folsom card holders do not have access to the ~~material~~ downloadable audios currently held in the Sacramento Public Library collection. Only Sacramento card holders have access at this time, SPL is exploring ideas as to how to allow Folsom patrons to have access, possibly having a Sacramento card that would give them access. Folsom will be getting some downloadable audio books that will come to us through the Mountain Valley Library System, probably mostly reference materials. This is an area we will be looking into for FPL.

Commissioner Kipp welcomed Katy.

Commissioner Giancoli welcomed Katy.

Commissioner Giancoli stated he is looking forward to seeing what Library Director Curl accomplishes over the next few years.

Commissioner Giancoli thanked Librarian Bertin for her presentation on the Summer Reading Program. Very impressive attendance and organization.

Commissioner Giancoli stated that with the opening of the Senior and Arts Center and the concerts back in City Park it is nice to see this area developing into a City Center.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43p.m.

Janet Robinson, Senior Office Assistant