

LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES
Regular Meeting
September 17, 2013

1) Call to Order:

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

2) Roll Call:

Present:

Commissioners Batt, Calderwood, Marks, Oliver, Ryan, Aquino, Sessarego.

3) Minutes

a) August 20, 2013

Commissioner Ryan moved to approve the August 20, 2013, minutes as written. Motion carried.

AYES: Commissioners: Batt, Calderwood, Marks, Oliver, Aquino, Ryan, Sessarego.

NOES: Commissioners: None.

ABSENT: Commissioners: None.

ABSTAIN: Commissioners: None.

4) Business from the Floor

None.

5) Reports and Presentations

a. Monthly Statistics July and August 2013

Library Manager Dale reviewed the July and August 2013 statistics.

6) New Business

a. Healthy Folsom Grant Project

In May 2013, the Library was awarded \$18,000 from the California State Library to implement a project titled Healthy Folsom: Mind, Body and Earth.

Activities will kick off with an America Recycles Day promotion held at the library in November 2013 in partnership with the City's Public Works Department. Additional plans include:

- The Healthy Folsom Challenge kick off event and health fair on Saturday, January 25, 1-3pm. The health fair will include information booths, activities and a display of new library materials and informative brochures.
- Outreach to local schools promoting the Library and healthy living.
- Library programs to include health and wellness classes, healthy cooking and eating seminars, and a *Green Gardener at Home* 10-week course to educate participants in efficient landscape and irrigation practices.
- The Kaiser Community Troupe will be invited to provide *The Best Me* program for children.
- The Library will partner with the Environmental & Water Resources Department for an Earth Day celebration in April 2014.
- Library participation in the City of Folsom's Public Participation Day will include "healthy" activities and giveaways.
- The Library's new Mind, Body and Earth Play and Learn Island will be featured in activities hosted both inside and outside the library.
- The Library will create a Healthy Folsom page on its website to promote project resources.

The expected benefit of this project is a community that is physically and mentally healthier, with residents that lead more sustainable lives and consider the library as a central resource for physical, mental and environmental wellness information.

b. Youth Library Commissioner Proposal

The Library Commission approved to appoint 2-3 members of the Teen Library Council to serve in the capacity of youth liaisons to the Library Commission. These appointments will fulfill our goals to obtain program and service recommendations from a young adult perspective, and to provide local teens with leadership opportunities for school and work applications.

7) **Library Manager's Report**

Library Manager Dale reported on the following:

- Play and Learn update
- Picture book reorganization update with photos.
- Library programming updates
- Publicity for 20th Anniversary Celebration
- Reprogramming of RFID tags.

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Oliver commended the Friends on the excellent quality of their book sale over the week-end.

Commissioner Aquino shared that a new library has opened in San Antonio, Texas and it has no books, all eReaders, and computers.

Commissioner Aquino did some calculations on total fines owed divided by the number of card holders and came up with an average fine owed of \$4.25, and she told the Commission that the next time she uses the library she's going to "pay a fine forward" and see if she can build a little momentum and keep it going for a while.

Commissioner Batt and Commission Chair Sessarego shared some stories of the early days of the Folsom Public Library when it first opened in the Persifer Street Building 20 years ago.

Commission Chair Sessarego stated that at the Friends of the Library Book Sale they had over 300 hours of volunteer service, an amazing group of young people from Sacramento State have come the last few years to help with the set-up, which is the most difficult part of the sale. The sale earned \$5,561.20 in 3 days. Commission Chair Sessarego commended Maggie Roehm, the organizer of the book sales on an amazing job.

Commission Chair Sessarego stated that there would not be a meeting in October, the regular meeting will return in November.

8) **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Janet Robinson, Senior Office Assistant