

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES
OF A REGULAR MEETING

KERRVILLE, TEXAS
April 19, 2016

On Tuesday, April 19, 2016, the Library Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jane Smith at 3:00 p.m. in the Library Meeting Room, 505 Water Street, Kerrville, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| Jane Smith | Chairperson |
| David Lipscomb | Vice-Chairperson |
| Marty Lenard | Board Member |
| Matthew Miller | Board Member |

MEMBERS ABSENT:

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| Astrid Box | Board Member |
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EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| Gary Stork | City Council Member |
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STAFF PRESENT:

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| Laura Bechtel | Library Director |
| Cate Schulenberg | Recording Secretary |

VISITORS PRESENT:

1. VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM:

None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2A. Approval of minutes of the Library Advisory Board meeting held on March 15, 2015.

Mr. Lenard moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Lipscomb seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.

3. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION:

3A. Monthly Update by Library Director (staff)

Ms. Bechtel reported the March statistics to the Library Advisory Board. The library had 9,427 patrons and 7,574 checkouts at the end of March. The library had 8,047 visitors and librarians answered 1,010 reference questions. Ms. Bechtel announced that the Spring Break events at the Library were well received. Ms. Bechtel reported the Fiscal Year statistics to the Board – 46,893 checkouts, 5,530 questions answered, and 41,823 visitors. Ms. Bechtel presented the Board with the patron demographics and the number of Kerr County library cards purchased. Ms. Bechtel presented the financial statements and revenue report for the Library and History Center.

3B. Update on Friends of the Library activities (Jane Smith)

Ms. Smith announced that the Friends had a successful Saturday sale. The special for April is mystery books, as the Friends had received a donation of over 2,000 mystery books.

3C. Presentation of proposed FY2017 budget (staff)

Ms. Bechtel presented to the Board the proposed FY2017 budget. Discussion occurred regarding priorities for the budget and areas of growth and savings. Mr. Stork inquired into how books were chosen for purchase. Ms. Bechtel said that the librarians use suggestions, industry publications, and knowledge of the community to select what is purchased. Discussion occurred regarding budget timeline.

3D. Kerr Regional History Center update (staff)

Ms. Bechtel announced that one bid was received for the renovation project which City Council rejected as it was not complete. Discussion occurred regarding the planned use of the second floor.

3E. Monthly newspaper articles by Library Board members (David Lipscomb)

Mr. Lipscomb provided the Board with the history of monthly articles written by himself during his previous tenure on the Board. Mr. Lipscomb said that he has resumed writing the articles and invited other Board members to do so as well. Discussion occurred regarding the process for writing and submitting articles. Mr. Lenard expressed a desire to write articles. The Board expressed support of the articles.

3F. Next scheduled Library Advisory Board meeting – May 17, 2016

4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST**

Mr. Stork announced that early voting begins Monday, April 25 and Election Day is Saturday, May 7.

Ms. Bechtel announced that Story Time will continue through May and then Summer Reading will begin. Ms. Bechtel provided the Board with a copy of the Summer Reading Calendar.

Ms. Bechtel announced that the Coloring Group will meet Thursday, April 21. The craft group will meet Thursday, April 28. Juli Korly, guest artist, will demonstrate encaustic art and patrons will have an opportunity to create their own small encaustic painting.

Ms. Bechtel announced that the library will screen "Much Ado About Nothing" in honor of Shakespeare's 400th anniversary on Saturday, April 23.

Ms. Bechtel announced that the library will host the first "Super Fan Mini Con" on Saturday, May 21.

Mr. Lenard honored Tony Lenard, who would be retiring from the Kerrville Fire Department after 32 years of service.

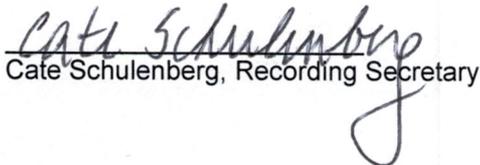
5. **ADJOURNMENT**

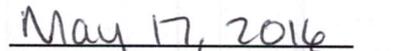
Mr. Lipscomb moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Miller seconded. The Library Advisory Board adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

APPROVED:


Jane Smith, Chairperson


Laura Bechtel, Library Director


Cate Schulenberg, Recording Secretary


Date minutes approved & signed