

MINUTES
CITY OF DENTON
DENTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
South Branch Library, May 13, 2019

PRESENT: Jean Greenlaw, Laura Cantu, Kate Margolis, Sashenka Lopez, Deon Starnes
ABSENT: Ling Jeng, Amy Taylor
STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Bekker
GUESTS: Sarah Ward, Dawn Terrizzi, Rebecca Ivey

1. PRESENTATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None present

2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. LB19-031 Approved minutes of April 8, 2019, Greenlaw motioned to approve. Cantu seconded. Unanimous approval.

B. LB19-029 Received a report and held a discussion regarding the 2019 Summer Reading Challenge. Dawn Terrizzi gave a presentation which included (1) the purpose and goals of the challenge, (2) community donor benefits, (3) Kick off celebrations around town: sign-ups are May 23 and there is a celebration on May 24th from 10 am to 12pm. The library is using the Twilight Tunes on June 6 as a kickoff event, (4) how the challenge works, and (5) end of challenge celebrations: July 26 at the North Branch from 11 – 1, at Fowler from 3 – 5, and at South Branch from 3 – 5. These replace the waterpark party that was scheduled for kids and teens in the past. Jean Greenlaw is writing a book review column for the Denton Chronicle. It will come out every last Sunday of the Month. The article will center on books on the universe. This subject ties into the reading challenge's theme of "A Universe of Stories."

C. LB19-028 Received an informational report regarding the Friends of the Denton Public Libraries. The Friends met on April 11, 2019. The Rotary wants to sponsor a project and they are working with the Friends. The potential project could be either a reading/performance area behind Fowler or an amphitheater in Quakertown. The Friends made \$3,684 at the last book sale. The next book sale is on August 2, 2019. Their next meeting is on July 11, 2019.

D. LB19-027 Received an informational report regarding the Emily Fowler Library Foundation. There has been no change. They will be updating the brochure at the next meeting on May 20, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. at Fowler.

E. LB19-030 Received reports and held discussions regarding:

- FY 19/20 Library Budget Requests – The library submitted its budget proposals in January for archival software, hotspots (11 per branch), and sound abatement for North Branch. All of the requests were funded/approved. The library is also proposing no overdue fines in the future. Overdue fines represents over \$100,000 from the library's budget.

- Library Master Plan –Jennifer Bekker provided a map to show the current libraries and the overlapping service areas covered by each location. Godfrey & Assoc. are analyzing collections and square footage for each of the libraries. They are considering moving some of the collections and moving special collections upstairs to get it out of the flood area.
- Board Meeting Attendance – A handout was provided covering the requirements for Boards, Commissions and Committees. The handout covered absences. According to the handout, “The unexcused absence of any board, commission, or committee member from more than three (3) regularly called and scheduled meetings of the board, commission, or committee of which he or she is a member in any one (1) year or lack of attendance at fifty (50) percent of the number of regular meetings in a year, unless such absence is excused, shall be considered “cause,” as that term is used in section 14.16 of the Charter, for removal of the member by the city council from such board, commission, or committee.”
- Texas Book Festival Award – The library received a \$2,500 grant for new study and test prep materials.
- Library Policy Updates – none.
- Downloadable Resources – the library is going with the Cloud Library after reviewing that service, OverDrive, and Access 360 downloadable services. There are 2 advantages: (1) cost (\$2,500) and (2) cloud link. Cloud Link allows material to be shared with other cloud libraries. Your library patrons will get priority for materials over others on the cloud link. The library currently pays \$12,000 per year for Overdrive. There will be a lot of training provided. The library will use the savings to purchase more content.

3. Concluding Items

There were no concluding items

Meeting was adjourned.

Amy Taylor
Amy Taylor, secretary

Sashenta Lopez
Sashenta Lopez, President