Library Advisory Board



Minutes In-person Meeting April 28, 2025 – 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Announce the presence of a Quorum.

Justin Strauch called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The following Library Board members were present: Justin Strauch, Zachary Todd, Toshia Kimball, Roberta Schaafsma, Brian Ortiz, & Ofilia Barrera Board Liaison. Board members not present: Irene Chavira & Monica Munoz

CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Residents may address Board regarding an item that is not listed on the Agenda. Residents must provide their name and address. Board requests that comments be limited to three (3) minutes. In addition, the Board is not allowed to converse, deliberate, or take action on any matter presented during citizen participation. No citizens were present at the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider and act upon, approval of February 24, 2025 Library Advisory Board Meeting minutes.

Board Action:

A motion was made by Brain Ortiz, seconded by Toshia Kimball, to approve the minutes as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0.

WORK SESSION – DISCUSSION ITEMS

WS1. Certificate of Recognition and Proclamation for Library of Excellence Award.

Ofilia Barrera shared the Proclamation, letter from Representative Keith Self, and the Certificate of Recognition for those board members who were unable to attend the council meeting.

WS2. Priscilla's Play Wall Invitation.

On Friday, May 23, 2025 at 2:00p.m. all are invited to attend the grand opening and celebration of Priscilla's Play Wall.

WS3. Friends of the Library Bookmark Design Contest Winners 2025.

Minutes April 28, 2025 Library Advisory Board Page 1 Ofilia Barrera presented the winning designs for the 2025 Bookmark Contest. The winner of each category will receive 10 prints of their bookmark and the remaining prints will be made available in the library.

WS4. Review Summer 2025 Brochure.

Ofilia Barrera walked the Board through the Summer Learning Club 2025 brochure. Summer Reading Challenges for kids, teens, and adults begin on May 19, 2025 and run through August 2, 2025. The Summer Kick Off Party takes place on May 30, 2025 and the library's summer programs will continue through the month of July, wrapping up on July 25, 2025 with Harry Potter's Birthday Party.

WS5. Update on grants and federal funding.

Ofilia Barrera shared information concerning potential changes to funding received from The Texas State Library and Archives Commission and how the loss would affect library services. Senate Bill 2101, House Bill 3225, and House Bill 267 were mentioned as well.

WS6. Review Monthly Report.

Ofilia Barrera presented the Board with statistics regarding program attendance and resource usage for the period of January 23, 2025 to March 20, 2025. She also shared additional information concerning the use of Laserfiche and described the Capstone Project of a group of UT Arlington students working on their Master's Degree in City Management.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Zachary Todd, seconded by Toshia Kimball, to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. A vote was taken and the motion passed 4-0. (Roberta Schaafsma left the meeting early)

Justin Strauch, Chair