



LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Tuesday, February 7, 2006
Los Altos Main Library
13 South San Antonio Road, Los Altos, 94022

ROLL CALL

Chairperson, Gerich called the meeting to order at 5:35pm

Present: Chairperson Gerich; Vice Chairman Poulos; Commissioners Tucker, Thurber and Johnson

Absent: Commissioners Takle Quinn and Smith

Also Present: Cheryl Houts, Community Librarian; Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian; Gerry Dunckel, Friends of the Library President; Elayne Dauber, citizen; Peggy Ford, City Staff Liaison

MINUTES

COMMISSIONER THURBER MOVED that the minutes of January 3, 2006 be approved. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER POULOS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Elayne Dauber asked some questions regarding the State Bond Initiative and also spoke about potential money for expansion along with organizations that can solicit additional funds.

REPORTS

Cheryl Houts, Community Librarian

There have been many successful programs during the last month for both children and adults at the Library. The Library hosted Julie Otuska in the Program Room on February 3, and 86 people attended. On February 28th, the "Dance, Dance Revolution" contest will take place at the Main Library. There is anticipation of a great turnout.

Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian

Silicon Valley Reads was kicked off on February 1, 2006 with over 400 people in attendance. There are events and writing programs and book discussions throughout the valley during the month of

February. The January meeting of the JPA was cancelled. The next meeting is on Thursday, February 23, 2006. There is a Library Bond measure for \$600 million to support library construction that is to appear on the June Primary ballot.

Dr. Karen Takle Quinn, LALE

Dr. Takle Quinn was unable to attend the Commission Meeting, but Chairman Gerich reported that LALE is busy working on planning an April event for an author to speak in Los Altos. The next LALE meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 13 in the Main Library.

Gerry Dunckel, FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Gerry reported that the January Friends of the Library Book Sale brought in a total of \$22,625.00.

BUSINESS

Sub Committee Reports

Operations Task Force:

Commissioner Tucker reported that she and Commissioner Smith met with Cheryl Houts, Community Librarian to discuss pending sources of revenues and costs associated with the Los Altos Library and will make a more in-depth report at the next commission meeting.

Capital Task Force

Vice Chairman Poulos and Commissioner Thurber reported on possible expansion ideas for the Los Altos Main Library. The commission discussed possible avenues of obtaining funding to at first obtain architectural plans for expansion.



State Bond Initiative

Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian asked commissioners to support the State Bond Initiative for library construction stating that there is more relevancy if backed by the Library Commission's endorsement.

COMMISSIONER THURBER MOVED that the Library Commission support the State Bond Initiative for Library Construction. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER JOHNSON AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

DISCUSSION AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Set March 7th Agenda

ADJOURNMENT - Meeting was adjourned at 6:30p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Peggy Ford, Recreation Supervisor
Liaison to the Library Commission