



LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Tuesday, January 2, 2007

Los Altos Main Library

13 South San Antonio Road, Los Altos, 94022

ROLL CALL

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

Present: Chairperson Poulos; Vice Chairperson Tucker; Commissioners Smith, Takle Quinn, and Gerich

Absent: Thurber

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

MINUTES

CHAIRPERSON POULOS MOVED that the minutes of December 5, 2006 be approved with corrections. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SMITH AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Stan Moros commented on the Time Management System and also asked if other patrons had given feedback on the system. The majority of feedback has been positive.

REPORTS

Cheryl Houts, Community Librarian

Cheryl reported on upcoming events in January such as After School Programs for ages five and up, pet safety, teen and adult programs as "Pay for College", Video games for Teens, demonstrations of blogging, Mozart memorabilia and proper care of roses. Patrons are continuing to familiarize themselves with the new automated materials handling system as it continues to work well.

Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian

The winter issue of the Library Newsletter was mailed the last week of December. Included in this issue are Silicon Valley Reads 2007 events and many other programs offered at our libraries through the month of April. The California Library association Legislative Day in the district is

scheduled for January 26th and February 2nd. The CLA/CSLA Library Legislative Day in Sacramento will be held on Wednesday, April 18, 2007.

The 3rd Annual Library Friends and Commissioners Forum will be held on Saturday, January 13th from 9:30am-12:30pm. The next meeting of the Library JPA Board is scheduled for January 25, 2007 at 1:30pm at the Library Administration Offices in Los Gatos.

Gerry Dunckel, FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The next Friends of the Library Book sale is coming up on January 26, 27 and 28. Gerry discussed the need to purchase an additional amount of tables for the book sales with the possibility of storing them at the Hillview Community Center.

Commissioner Dr. Takle Quinn, LALE

LALE's annual event of Speaking Volumes will coincide with National Library Week. The guest speaker for Speaking Volumes will be Ron Hanson from the Santa Clara University. Marge Bruno and John Gerich have both resigned from the LALE board.

The Library Commission wishes to thank Marge Bruno and John Gerich for their service to the community.

JPA Meeting and/or NCLA Meeting Report

The Library JPA Board had a closed session meeting on December 7th. The next meeting of the JPA Board is scheduled for January 25, 2007 at 1:30pm at the Library Administrative offices in Los Gatos.

The next NCLA meeting will be January 31, 2007 at 5:30pm. The meeting is to finalize actual cost of labor over the next few years. This meeting will be held at City Hall Council Chambers.

The Friends and Commissioners forum is scheduled for Saturday, January 13, 2007.

BUSINESS

1. Expansion:

John Gerich met with John Miller, the Architect for expansion of the Los Altos Main Library. The next step in the process is to begin contacting committee members and gather information for the Friends group such as a feasibility and fact finding study, issues on parking, utilities etc... John Miller will have more information within three weeks time.

2. Discussion of Joint Meeting With Council

Most Commissioners felt positive regarding the joint meeting with Council Members and the tour of Room Seven – Friends of the Library Headquarters.

DISCUSSION AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

Discussed possibilities for new Chairperson and Vice Chairperson – did not take action.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Set February 6th Agenda

ADJOURNMENT - Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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