



LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 4th, 2010 5:30p.m.

Los Altos Main Library

13 South San Antonio Road, Los Altos, 94022

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Struthers called the meeting to order at 5:35pm

Present: Chairperson Struthers, Commissioners Smith, Gerich, Tucker, Poulos and Suelzle

Absent:

Also Present: Peggy Ford; City Staff Liaison, Jill Lakstigala, Children's Librarian; Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian

MINUTES

COMMISSIONER STRUTHERS MOVED that the minutes of April 6th, 2010 be approved as is. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER POULOS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Ann Stevenson visited from Cupertino Library Commission

REPORTS

Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian

Thirty or so dignitaries and residents attended the City of Los Altos Grand Re-Opening of the newly remodeled Woodland Library on Friday, April 23rd.

New Cupertino Community Librarian, Mark Fink joined the Library staff on Monday, May 3rd and Jane Cronkhite, Los Altos Community Librarian starts work on Monday, May 10th. Mark comes to the library with 12 years of experience at the Athenian School in Danville (CA) and the Contra Costa County Library/Dougherty Joint-Use Branch Library in San Ramon. Jane most recently worked as the Acting Willow Glen Branch Library Manager for the San Jose Public Library and has 8 years of library experience.

The Library will hold its Annual staff Development Day on Fri., May 21, 2010; all libraries will be closed but online services will be available.

The next meeting of the Library JPA Board will be Thursday, June 3, 2010 at 1:30pm at the Library Administration Offices, 14600 Winchester Blvd., Los Gatos.

Jill Lakstigala, Children's Librarian

The Woodland branch finally enjoyed its ribbon-cutting ceremony on April 23. Participants and, in fact, all users for the past month were impressed with the attractive changes made to the building. The Library received 12 new CD shelving units, each capable of holding 600 CDs. They were provided mostly by the Friends of the Library, but also by the Los Altos Library Endowment.

Children's Programs for May – Afternoon Movie at the Los Altos Library , May 8, 2pm. All ages Welcome! Spring Into a Good Book Club, 4th through 6th graders. May 12 at 4pm. The Book Bugs!, a book discussion for 2nd and 3rd graders. May 13 at 4pm Fire and Safety Program at Los Altos Library. May 19 at 3:30pm. Grades K and up. Adult Services – May 6 -California native Plant Society on Central Coast Natives May 12 League of Women Voters informational program on the June ballot measures. May 17 and May 26 Art Lectures on the Impressionism exhibit at the De Young Museum. May 20 The new Senior Book Club will discuss “The Secret Life of Bees”. May 25 Monthly Master Gardener Program. On May 6, 2010, Cynthia and Steve will have a booth at the Mountain View Senior Resources Fair. There was a nice Town Crier article on the local school bond and library tax measures that featured Sarah Neeri and Ben Lundholm, Mountain View High School Librarian, and our new cooperative programming at the high school.

Friends of the Library

Preparations are under way for the May book sale taking place May 21, 22 and 23.

LALE

TJ Stiles, Pulitzer Prize winner, was the guest speaker for Speaking Volumes. He was a wonderful speaker.

NCLA Report

The next meeting of the NCLA is scheduled for May 18th at 5:45pm. The tax rate will be set at that time.

BUSINESS

DISCUSSION AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

1. Commissioner, Committee Training – May 18th, Council Chambers, 6pm
Reminded Commissioners about the mandatory training meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Set June 1st Meeting Agenda

ADJOURNMENT – 6:27p.m.

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