



LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

Special Meeting of Tuesday, June 5, 2007
Hillview Community Center 6:00pm
97 Hillview Ave., Los Altos, 94022

ROLL CALL

Chairperson, Nancy Tucker called the meeting to order at 6:50pm

Present: Chairperson Tucker; Vice Chairperson Smith; Commissioners Poulos, Struthers, Gerich and Lai
Absent: Thurber
Also Present: Cheryl Houts, Community Librarian; Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian; Roy Lave, NCLA; Gerry Dunckel; Friends of the Library; Peggy Ford, City Staff Liaison

MINUTES

COMMISSIONER STRUTHERS MOVED that the minutes of May 1, 2007 be approved with corrections. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER GERICH AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sam McBane-Mulford – Library Commissioner from Town of Saratoga wants to learn how other library commissions operate

Roy Lave of North County Library Authority suggested that when researching expansion committee members to look for those with certain skill sets that will assist in expansion process.

REPORTS

Cheryl Houts, Community Librarian

The Library is kicking off Summer Reading Club on Saturday, June 2nd with the Tech Challenge program and a long list of summer activities for kids, teens and adults! This year the children's librarians have decided to change things up a bit. They are allowing kids to choose their own reading goals and have provided parents with tips for encouraging their kids' participation in summer reading. Teen Librarian, Sarah Neeri is excited about the grand prize for teens completing summer reading – an iPod shuffle! Adults in our community are very fortunate to have the opportunity to hear John Lescroart on June 26th at 7pm. Adults are being encouraged to pick up a summer reading packet and participate too.

There is regular preschool programming continuing throughout the summer and four programs for adults too. A wireless update concludes that there are 450 users at Los Altos Library and 10 at Woodland.

Melinda Cervantes, County Librarian

Melinda spoke about the SB156 which is the California Reading and literacy Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2008. She also spoke about the Silicon Valley Reads Program for 2008 which will feature Bo Caldwell's book *Distant Land of My Father*. The JPA Board will adopt the FY 2007/08 Santa Clara County Library Budget at their next meeting on Thursday, June 7, 2007 at 2pm.

Gerry Dunckel, Friends of the Library

Gerry reported that the Friends of the Los Altos Library's book sale in May brought in a total of \$19,000. Also, the Amazon Book Sales are regularly around \$600.00 per month.

BUSINESS

- 1) Expansion
Commissioners discussed asking members of LALE, JPA, NCLA, Friends of the Library, Elementary and Secondary School representation (PTA), City Administration, County Staff, Rotary, Kiwanis to sit on committee to help capture information via a needs assessment. Ask for public input during process.

COMMISSIONER POULOS MOVED that Commissioners Tucker and Gerich form the subcommittee for organizations and individuals in order to join expansion committee. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER STRUTHERS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

- 2) Needs Assessment
Discussion surrounded an RFP and obtaining an expansion committee member to be able to write and follow through on the project.
- 3) Discussed results of May 22nd Council meeting regarding Library Expansion.
- 4) Discussed outcome of Los Altos Hills picnic

DISCUSSION AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Set July 3rd Agenda

ADJOURNMENT - Meeting was adjourned at 7:29pm

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