



LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Tuesday, March 2, 2004
Los Altos Main Library
13 South San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California 94022

ROLL CALL

Chairperson Thurber called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

Present: Chairperson Thurber, and Commissioners Gerich, Iskow, Johnson, McNulty Winkler and Dr. Takle Quinn
Also Present: Deputy County Librarian Sarah Flowers and City of Los Altos Liaison Donna Legge. Los Altos High School student.

MINUTES

COMMISSIONER JOHNSON MOVED that the minutes of February 3, 2004 be approved as presented. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ISKOW AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

REPORTS

Cheryl Houts, Community Librarian

Cheryl announced upcoming February events and library attractions. A Mexican Blonde Tarantula spider was found in the library. Curious George from the children's library area was re-stuffed by Build-a-Bear of Valley Fair at no cost to the library. A discussion on "Fahrenheit 451" attracted twenty-five participants. The library received positive feedback from parents regarding the Nursery Time program. Staff has established a teen web page. There have been "Letters to the Editor" in the Town Crier related to Measure B. Cheryl is working on getting drawings for the silent study area. She reported that the precinct walking was very successful. It was a good learning experience for the youth that participated.

Sarah Flowers, Deputy County Librarian

Sarah announced that the County is reviewing major budget cuts including the implementation of a hiring freeze until an analysis is conducted. Wage increases have been deferred until 2005. A retirement incentive program has been negotiated. So far, 48 people have met the requirement of 5 years and over 50 years that can choose to retire between March and July 2004.

LALE

Takle Quinn announced that a new member with a legal background has been added. LALE is investigating how to handle funds through the Community Foundation.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Library Commission Funds

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Donna Legge, Recreation Supervisor
Liaison to the Library Commission