MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NICHOLSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD June 14, 2010

The Library Advisory Board met on Monday, June 14, 2010 at 6:00 p.m., at the Central Branch Library, with the following in attendance.

Members Present: Vice Chairman Nelson Prater
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Board Member John Ford
Board Member Julius Irozuru
Board Member Mike McCorstin
Board Member Jerry Redden
Board Member Robert Brandon, Jr.

Members Absent: Chairman Grace Smart

Board Member Bettye Haynes

Staff Present: Director Claire Bausch

Assistant Director Dan Cunningham
Support Staff Kathleen Cizek
Support Staff Gail Brigham-Payne

CALL TO ORDER Vice Chair Nelson Prater called the meeting to order at

6:10 p.m.

READING &
APPROVAL OF
PREVIOUS
MINUTES

Julius Irozuru moved and John Ford seconded a motion to approve the May 10, 2010 Minutes. Motion carried.

OPERATING BUDGET FY 2010-2011 Director Bausch and Asst. Director Cunningham reviewed budget issues, requests for funding, and the preliminary calendar dates for City Council budget meetings. The Library's performance measures and goals for the upcoming year were also reviewed.

INTEGRATED LIBRARY SYSTEM REPORT Patrons will be limited to five items per visit during the period the Horizon system goes offline and the new Symphony system goes live on June 17. Kathleen Cizek shared information on some of the Symphony features that are expected. Director Bausch reported more than fifty-thousand outdated records were purged in preparation for the migration.

STAFF REPORTS

A. Facilities and Technology Systems

The Central Library "READ" banners have been removed and are being given to the models when possible.

A malfunctioning self-service checkout station at the Central Library was replaced. Loan Star Grant funds were used to purchase an additional workstation. The balance of the grant funds will be used to purchase an exterior table and trash receptacle.

Extracted Technology Survey responses were shared and discussed.

B. Staff

The Library has begun utilizing live, online interviews to fill Librarian positions.

In-service training for employees has been scheduled for Friday, October 22, 2010.

C. Programs & Services

Summer Reading Program for children, teens and adults began June 6 and runs through July 31.

Children's programs

- 8 Week Reading Program, "Catch the Reading Express," for toddlers through age 12
- 64 "Summer Storytimes" for babies, toddlers, and preschool ages
- 36 "Special Programs for Kids," such as "Mad Science," storytellers, Critterman, yo-yo skills, puppet shows, clowns, and magic shows
- 8 "Creative Kids Workshops" for ages 7 and older, involving African drums and drumming, singing, juggling, chess, basic drawing, popups art, a yo-yo workshop, and, origami

Teens programs

- 8 Week Reading Program, "Within Arms Reach... the Future is Yours," for ages 12 – 18
- "Teen Game Night," offering Nintendo Wii, Playstation 2, and board games
- "Stage Combat", involving basic techniques of staging theatrical fights, choreography, and the performance of a theatrical fight scene

Adult programs

- 8 Week Reading Program, "Ticket to Ride", for ages 18 and older
- "Stories from across the Pond," presented by Bernadette Nason, English actress, storyteller, comedienne and writer
- "Buddy and Tina Wright Old-Time String Band," a tour of American music styles and history and historical instruments

"The Page Turners" book discussion group will review "Shanghai Girls" by Lisa See in June and "A Dilly of a Death" by Susan Albert in July.

Board Members interested in staffing a booth at the City's Healthy Living Expo on September 25 should contact the Library Director.

D. Friends of the Library

The Fall Book Sale schedule has been determined by the Friends of the Library:

Thursday, Sept 23 Membership Meeting at 5:30 p.m. Members Only Book Sale at 8:00 p.m.

Friday, Sept 24 Public Book Sale from Noon until 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, Sept 25 Public Book Sale from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

DISCUSS FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items were identified.

ADJOURN

John Ford, seconded by Julius Irozuru, made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Motion carried.

Claire Bausch, Director of Libraries	
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