

LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES
Regular Meeting
February 18, 2020

1) **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Commission Chair Moore.

2) **Roll Call**

Present: Commissioners: Gagliardi, Moore, Sessarego, Shannon.

Absent: Commissioners: Batt, Hutto, Lopez.

3) **Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Sessarego moved to approve the January 21, 2020 Minutes as written.
Commissioner Gagliardi seconded. Motion carried.

AYES: Commissioners: Gagliardi, Moore, Sessarego, Shannon.

NOES: Commissioners: None.

ABSENT: Commissioners: Batt, Hutto, Lopez.

ABSTAIN: Commissioners: None.

4) **Business from the Floor**

None.

5) **Reports & Presentations**

- a. Library Director Lori Easterwood presented the 2019 Calendar Year Recovery Report from Unique Management Services. Our return on investment for using Unique as our collection agency is very high; for every \$1.00 we spend on the service, we receive back \$6.00 in assets. Library Director Easterwood responded to comments and questions from the Library Commission.
- b. Library Director Lori Easterwood presented the January statistics. She highlighted the three percent increase in all items checked out in Folsom. Statistics for eBooks/eAudio items now include Enki Library (an eBook library platform that offers several nonfiction and self-published items) usage too. Library Director Easterwood responded to comments and questions from the Library Commission.

6) New Business

- a. Library Director Lori Easterwood reviewed the newly revised Folsom Public Library Group Study Rooms policy. The only change added to the policy is to allow for an individual having a conference call/video chat to use the room for one contiguous hour. The library will continue to keep reservation of study rooms on a first-come, first served basis on the day of use. This rule allows for a fair and equitable access to the public at large. Library Director Easterwood responded to comments and questions from the Library Commission.

7) Teen Liaison Report

Teen Liaisons Kaleena Benjamin and Kenzy Mohamed reported on the following:

- The Teen Retro Movie Night on February 14 featured *Sixteen Candles*, and 27 teens attended! *Grease* will be showing in April.
- At the February Teen Library Council meeting, teens helped make a “Blind Date with a Book” display by wrapping books and writing catchy summaries on the outside for teens to browse/check out without knowing exactly what book they were getting.
- The LifeHack for Teens grant program starts in March. Teens helped come up with the ideas for each of the programs. In the first program, Whole foods will teach food and cooking basics. Other programs offered will include learning how to manage personal finances and tools to help manage stress.

Teen Liaisons Benjamin and Mohamed responded to questions from the Library Commission.

8) Library Director’s Report

Library Director Lori Easterwood reported on the following:

- February 26-29, Library Director Easterwood will be attending the Public Library Association conference in Nashville.
- The Friends of the Folsom Library Book Sale is scheduled for March 13-15.
- The Winter Reading Challenge ended—total entries were the same as last year, but total books read increased significantly.
- The LEGO Building Contest was a success, and we had more entries than past years.
- Andrew submitted the second-round application for the Libraries Build Business American Librarian Association grant. This \$50,000 grant would provide programs and support to local businesses with a focus on businesses owned by women and minorities.
- A new book club is starting called Start Here: A Book Club for Change. All books chosen are nonfiction and may inspire you to change your life. The book club will meet at 11:30 a.m. for an hour discussion on the first Saturdays in April, June, and August.

9) **Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Shannon loves learning about everything that goes on in the library.

Commissioner Gagliardi commented that her husband was surprised that the library offers Bilingual Storytime. She was reminded that as commissioners we must inform the public and get the word out about all the great things that the library offers; the library offers more than just books.

Commissioner Sessarego commented that there are always new and interesting things happening at the library. She also thanked the Teen Liaisons for their involvement and for the terrific job that they do.

Commissioner Moore recommended *Hair Love* a short film based on a book that won Best Animated Short Film at the recent Academy Awards. She also suggested showing several short films at one of the teen movie nights.

10) **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alicia Klausung", written over a horizontal line.

Alicia Klausung
Secretary to the Library Commission