

**LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**April 17, 2018**

**1) Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Commission Vice Chair Gagliardi.

**2) Roll Call**

**Present:** Commissioners: Gagliardi, Lopez, McNeil, Oliver, Sessarego.

**Absent:** Commissioners: Hutto, Tripette.

**3) Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner McNeil moved to approve the March 20, 2018 Minutes as written.

Commissioner Sessarego seconded. Motion carried.

AYES: Commissioners: Gagliardi, Lopez, McNeil, Oliver, Sessarego.

NOES: Commissioners: None.

ABSTAIN: Commissioners: None.

ABSENT: Commissioners: Hutto, Tripette.

**4) Business from the Floor**

A member of the public inquired about why the 3D Printer program was cut back, and asked about the age requirements for the Virtual Reality program.

**5) Reports & Presentations**

- a. City Librarian Lori Easterwood presented Beanstack, the Library's new reading software service. Beanstack software is designed for the Summer Reading program; however, we adapted the system to use for the Book-to-Action program as well. Lori demonstrated how to register, and gave an overview of the software. Once participants register on Beanstack, they have the opportunity to earn badges and a chance to win prizes. REI agreed to partner with us for the Book-to-Action program; they will be planning a hike themed on *The Nature Fix*, and will be donating prizes for the drawing. Book-to-Action will only occur during May and June.
- b. City Librarian Lori Easterwood presented the March Statistics. Lori brought attention to the difference in library cards issued between February 2018, and March 2018. This significant increase in card numbers is because of the My First Library Card program. Nearly 200 cards have been returned from this program.

## 6) New Business

- a. City Librarian Lori Easterwood presented to the commission information on the Library hours for the 2018 Amgen Tour of California. The tour's Stage 6 men's start festivities on Friday, May 18, 2018, are centered in and around the Rodeo Arena, with the official starting line on the Johnny Cash Trail. The Library Meeting Room will be used for the media, and the Library parking lot will be used for the event as well. As a result of this event, Library service will be impacted. Instead of the normal Friday hours (10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.), the Library will delay opening until 11:00 a.m., and remain open until the normal close at 5:00 p.m.

## 7) Teen Liaison Report

Teen Liaison Shreya Gowda reported on the recent teen events and teen volunteer opportunities. Shreya discussed the My Little Pony party and movie event. This themed event was extremely popular and a huge success. The Library held a meet Clifford Storytime; and the next day, Library staff and Clifford participated in the City's Eggstravaganza event. Shreya remarked on her experience dressed up in the Clifford costume, and how she enjoyed promoting the Library. At the last Teen Library Council meeting, there was a finance presentation about general money management advice. The Folsom High School and the Library have separate teen book clubs available that Librarian Amanda Perez supports. Shreya commented that Teen Game Night was a great opportunity for the teens to bond. Because of Volunteer Week, Shreya highlighted the total Teen Program volunteer hours and Teen Program volunteers with the most hours.

## 8) Library Manager Report

City Librarian Lori Easterwood reported on the following:

- We are recognizing our volunteers for Volunteer Week this week. There is a sign in the lobby that highlights volunteers, and breaks down specific hours worked. So far this fiscal year, 7,276 hours have been recorded. Lori noted that many volunteer hours are unrecorded, especially the Friends of the Folsom Library hours; so the total number of volunteer hours is even greater! Teen volunteer sign-ups for the Summer Reading Program have closed; 50 teens have been selected, and 10 teens are on the waiting list. These teen volunteers help sign up participants for the Summer Reading Program, and also plan the teen programs each week.
- Art Competition pieces, from Congressman Bera's office, are now displayed in the Library. Local high school students were able to submit art from each congressional district, and the winners went on to be displayed at the U.S. Capitol. The Library's display features some of the non-winner entries.
- The Library's roof is being repaired. Roof leaks are being fixed by sealing, patching, and painting.
- In conjunction with Sacramento Public Library and Yolo County Library, we applied for a \$2,000 grant, The Great American Read. PBS is doing a television series called *The Great American Read* that explores America's 100 favorite books, and celebrates the power of reading. If chosen for the grant, we will plan a presenter related to the series, a Brew Bike book discussion will be scheduled downtown, and new books will be purchased. Performance rights to the program may be granted, so we could potentially preview the series.
- The telescope will be ready for circulation soon. A volunteer is currently adapting the eyepiece, so it will stay in place for patrons. Because the telescope is expensive, checking it out will require a release form.

- We will be gaining an additional member of staff next week named Pam Sakamoto-Richins. She will spend .75 of her time with the Library and .25 of her time with the Environmental and Water Resource department. Pam will be doing graphic design and event planning for the Library.

9) **Commissioner Comments**

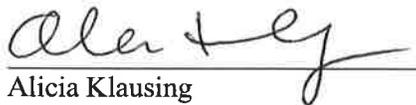
Commissioner Lopez followed-up with Lori about her local author recommendations. Lori Easterwood commented that the Library plans to create a local author collection in the adult wing. Both Brian Wallace and Marianne Reese will be featured in it. Local authors that donate a copy of their book will be displayed. In the future, these authors may be invited to present for a local author talk, and asked to participate in a local author fair.

Commissioner McNeil commented that he is impressed with all the smart, new ideas.

Commissioner Sessarego inquired about when Lori will present the Library Budget for the next fiscal year.

10) **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.



Alicia Klausung  
Secretary to the Library Commission