



COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2009

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:24 p.m. by Chair Commissioner Lydon at the Joyce Ellington branch library.

Present: Commissioners Lydon, Lee, Chinai, Martin, Graham, and Do

Absent: Commissioner Candelas, Tarpey, Nguyen

Staff: Library Director Jane Light; Assistant Library Director Ned Himmel; Deputy Library Director Rich Desmond; Associate Architect Dominic Onorato; Senior Librarian Keye Luke; Division Manager Carol Frost; Administrative Assistant Lucinda Norman

Others: Council District 6, Council Member Pierluigi Oliverio, and seven members of the public were present.

B. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – For approval: The Commission approved the agenda with the following changes/additions: None

C. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1) For approval: The Commission approved the December 10, 2008 minutes with the following changes/additions: None
- 2) Correspondence read and filed for public record – The Commission read a letter from the Toronto Public Library commending San José Way Manager, Ruth Barefoot, for training she conducted at their library in early November 2008.

D. OPEN FORUM- None

E. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- 1) LEED Green Building Program and Lessons Learned –
Documents Filed: Green Building informational pamphlets were handed out.

Action: The Commission accepted a report given by Deputy Director Rich Desmond and Associate Architect Dominic Onorato.
- 2) Health Information Focus at Joyce Ellington Branch –
Documents Filed: Memo to Neighborhood Services and Education Committee *Joyce Ellington Branch Consumer Health Focus* and informational handout.

Action: The Commission accepted a report given by Senior Librarian Keye Luke.
- 3) Budget Planning –
 - a) Library Overdue Fines-
Documents Filed: Memo- *Proposed Library Fine Increase Effective July 1, 2009*, to the Commission from Director Jane Light.

Action: The Commission accepted a report given by Library Director Jane Light.

- b) Commission's Annual Budget Position Message:
Documents Filed: None

Action: The Chair led a discussion on the progress and content of their annual budget letter to City Council.

- 4) Focus Groups with Commissioners and Board Members Letter-
Documents Filed: Letter from the City Clerk's Office inviting two Commissioners to participate in a focus group with other City Boards and Commissions to advise City staff on conceptual improvements to the City Boards and Commissions Program.

Action: Chair Lydon appointed Commissioner Chinai and Commissioner Graham to participate in the focus group.

- 5) Commission Advocacy Activities-
Documents Filed: *Fiction Reading Increases for Adults* by Motoko Rich, 1/12/09. *Tips For Lobbying Your Legislator During Difficult Budget Years*, Mike Dillon and Christina Dillon Di Caro, CLA Lobbyists and a handout of Library Facts talking points.

Action: The Commission accepted a report given by Chair Lydon and Commissioner Martin on library advocacy.

F. COUNCIL LIAISON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS –None

G. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS – Commissioner Lydon requested the Commission provide available dates for CALTAC training.

H. LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT – Jane Light announced an upcoming CALTAC Workshop in Library Leadership at the San Francisco Public Library on February 28, 2009. This year there is a multi-day celebration for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's 80th birthday, more information can be found at the Library website. The Director also announced the 7th annual Silicon Valley Reads program January – April 2009 which sponsors free events throughout Santa Clara County.

I. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) Friends Groups from Branches and Main Library – Commissioner Lee attended the recent Berryessa Friends' meeting.
- 2) San José Public Library Foundation Board – Commissioner Martin spoke about the Library Foundation Board retreat she attended on January 10, 2009.
- 3) Early Care and Education Commission – Commissioner Lydon attended the Early Care and Education Commission meeting.

J. UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMISSION PARTICIPATION – Check website for list of upcoming opportunities.

- 1) Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 80th Birthday Celebration, will be held over a course of three days: January 15, January 17, and February 14. www.sjlibrary.org
- 2) 7th Annual Silicon Valley Reads program, January – April 2009, www.siliconvalleyreads.org
- 3) See SJPL Program Calendar at www.sjlibrary.org
- 4) San José Public Library Bond Projects update: www.newsanJosélibraries.com
- 5) CALTAC Annual Luncheon, San José 11:45am – 1:15pm (www.caltac.org)

6) Northern California CALTAC Meeting, February 28, 2009 (www.caltac.org)

K. ITEMS FOR FUTURE COMMISSION MEETING AGENDAS –

L. ADJOURNMENT – 9:28 p.m.

Jane Light, Secretary
San José Library Commission

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