

MINUTES
CITY OF DENTON
DENTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
North Branch Library Meeting Room – July 12, 2021

After determining that a quorum was present, the Denton Public Library Board convened on Monday, July 12, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the North Branch Library Meeting Room at 3020 N. Locust, Denton, Texas. President Kate Margolis, Secretary Laura Cantu and Members Ling Jeng, Jean Greenlaw and Cleopatra Birckbichler were in attendance.

PRESENT: Kate Margolis, Jean Greenlaw, Laura Cantu, Ling Jeng, Cleopatra Birckbichler

ABSENT: Jim Owens, Benjamin Huttash

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Bekker

GUESTS: none

1. PRESENTATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

NONE

2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. LB21-041

The minutes from the June 14 ,2021 board meeting minutes were approved. (Jean Greenlaw motioned for approval, Cleopatra Birckbichler seconded, all in favor)

B. LB21-040

Receive an informational report and hold a discussion regarding the Friends of the Denton Public Libraries.

No changes since the June 14, 2021 meeting. A board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 15, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at the North Branch Library.

C. LB21-039

Receive an informational report and hold a discussion regarding the Emily Fowler Library Foundation.

There have been no changes since the June 14, 2021 Library Board Meeting.

D. LB21-042

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and consider recommending approval of the following Denton Public Library Policy updates:

Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance Policy – Withdrawal recommended since the Library follows City of Denton Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Policy.

Community Use Policy for the Legacy Lab – Policy was updated with the following:

- Updated equipment list on borrowing agreement

- Changed “Special Collections desk” to “Reference desk” to reflect new layout at Emily Fowler Central Library.

Digital Preservation Policy – Revised policy with the following:

- Changed “digital preservation team” and Digital Collection Committee” to “Special Collections”
- Clarified that decisions on how to provide access will be recommended by Special Collections for approval by the Library Managers.

Genealogy and Local History Research Policy – Revised policy with the following:

- Added social media as a venue to request research assistance
- Removed a statement limiting responses to brief answers
- Removed “limited” from “research assistance searches”
- Removed “fragile” from “non fragile materials.”

Library Surveys and Petitions Policy – Revised policy with the following:

- Removed requirement that students show approval from instructors for student research surveys.

Social Media Policy – Withdrawal recommended as it only referenced the City of Denton Social Media Administrative Directive 505.03.

Filming and Photography Policy – Revised policy with the following:

- Clarified that news media photography advanced notice to the Branch Manager is encouraged
- Added permission for product photography in library makerspaces using library makerspace photography equipment.

Laura Cantu motioned for approval of policy changes as presented, Ling Jeng seconded, all in favor

E. LB21-044

Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give staff direction regarding:

2021 Summer Reading Challenge – Kicked off May 27 and runs through July 31. Participation has been much better than last year, but not as good as the year before. As of July 6, 2,140 people had registered to participate. 871,410 minutes of reading have been logged and 780 participants have already read at least 5 hours to earn their first prize book, and 440 of those participants have completed the program by reading at least 10 hours and earning a second prize book.

American Rescue Plan Act Library Telehealth – The grant application and requirements have not been announced yet, but library staff are in discussions to look at opportunities to provide support for library patrons to access health services virtually.

Bicycle Lock Pilot Program – This is a pilot program being planned to check out bicycle locks at the library. Kimberly Wells at Emily Fowler is working on this. The pilot will be at the Emily Fowler Central Library. After 2 months, the program can be expanded to the branches. The pilot program will start in late July or early August.

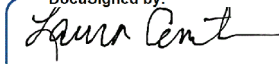
F. LB21-043

The Board was given a walking tour of the Forge Makerspace in the North Branch Library.

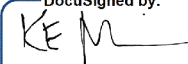
3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

None.

The Meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

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Kate Margolis, President