

MINUTES
CITY OF DENTON
DENTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
Emily Fowler Central Library – March 9, 2020

After determining that a quorum was present, the Denton Public Library Board convened on Monday, March 9, 2020 at 5:32 p.m. The meeting was held at the Emily Fowler Central Library, Denton, Texas 76201. Dr. Jean Greenlaw, President, called the meeting to order.

PRESENT: Jean Greenlaw, Jim Owen, Ling Jeng, Kate Margolis, Laura Cantu, and Benjamin Huttash

Sam Alphonse arrived at 5:58 p.m.

ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Bekker

GUESTS: None

1. PRESENTATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

NONE

2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- A. LB20-013** The minutes from the February 10, 2020 board meeting were approved.
- B. LB20-015** Friends member, Ron Rose, stepping down from Executive Board
- C. LB20-014** Foundation – Rotary donations coming to City of Denton soon – project will be starting after the Denton Arts and Jazz Festival.
- D. LB20-016** Wifi hotspots went live on Feb. 27, 2020. All were checked out by Sunday March, 1, 2020. DTV is planning to do a piece about it
- Reading Nook park @ Quakertown park behind Emily Fowler
- No changes to facility
 - Column Seating represent 100 for the Rotary Club’s 100th Anniversary in 2020.
 - Jim Owen asked about electric – will reactivate outside outlets and install lock box.
- Library Director Jennifer Bekker shared the schedule for staff presentations to the Library Board.
- Library making budget requests for outdated technology
- North Branch facility updates: Improve and expand The Forge (maker space) and a Part time Library Assistant II to work in The Forge. The library has not had additional funding or additional FTE via the city budget in a decade
 - Emily Fowler Central Library updates: Moving Fowler’s Special Collections upstairs, Build glass wall conference room for community agencies and social workers as well as programming or public use, Remove big Special Collections desk, Network wiring

- Archival supplies
- Annual public restroom tile deep cleaning and sealing

Budget requests could be partial (move, conference room at least) for this year and roll off others to another year.

Dr. Jeng asked about social workers – when and how often will they come – will be decided with the United Way.

TSLAC (Texas State Library and Archives Commission) grants

- Texttreasures to continue digitizing Denton Record Chronicle
- Special projects grant for equipment including laser engraver, Large-scale laminator, C&C machine – wood carving

Youth community card via Denton ISD – 3 items at a time, all electronic resources – through SNAP registration. Parent decides (responsible party), school ID would work as their library card. Will need to go before council.

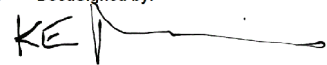
Rainbow story time (new identity of LGBTQ story time) – 3 times year – anyone welcome (with a kid).

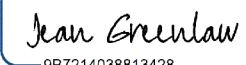
TMLDA (Texas Municipal Library Directors Association) Achievement of Excellence in Libraries Award received.

3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

None

The Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

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Dr. Jean Greenlaw, President