

City of Corpus Christi

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Library Board

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

10:30 AM

La Retama Central Library, La Retama Room

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A. Call To Order

Pat Craig called the meeting to order at 10:31 am.

B. Roll Call

Present: Pat Craig, Carrie Moore, Jennifer Anderson, Joan Carrillo, Melinda De Los

Santos, Alice Hawkins, Dolores Rabon, Dora Wilburn

Present Virtually: None Absent: Carroll Matthews

C. Public Comment

- Joshua Fraedrich shared an article that described LGBT material censorship in Nazi Germany.
- Marilena Garza spoke on Item 5- Input Discussion For Budget Letter To Be Provided To City Council. She brought some donated books and said this was a solution to a problem. She also said she would be hosting a fundraiser for the library called "Literacy is a Drag" and said the board is taking too long to raise funds.
- Robyn Valentine provided the following written public comment at 8:45 6/3/2025 I'm writing this comment in response to the facist takeover of our local libraries. Throughout my life I've heard the argument, "we have to protect the children," a phrase commonly used by conservatives to scare people in-line when their backwards logic fails to convince them of their position. The data continues to prove time and time again that queer people are not the ones preying on children. As a matter of fact, the groups that actively harm children, conservatives want to further integrate them into children's lives such as into their schools and classrooms. People who care about children aren't trying to take books out of their hands, they're trying to get them to read more. They care about children not going hungry, about them not falling into poverty, all things that the "protect the children" groups never talk about. Defunding libraries is not about kids, it's about manipulation, depriving communities of their access to free education. By keeping them ignorant it makes them easier to control.

The only thing you've shown us through your actions are who the real predators are

D. **Approval of Minutes and Action on Absences**

A motion to approve the May minutes was made by Jennifer Anderson and seconded by Carrie Moore. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>25-0825</u> 1. May 6, 2025 Minutes

> Attachments: May 6, 2025 Library Board Minutes - Draft

E. **Committee Reports**

- 2. 25-0826 Friends of CCPL Liaison Report
 - The Friends of CCPL- the Friends are continuing to support the summer reading programs which started on June 2nd.

F. **Staff Reports**

3. 25-0827 **CCPL Partnerships**

> **CCPL Partnerships** Attachments:

· Jayne Atokuku-Vitz, Reference Librarian at La Retama Central Library, gave a presentation over CCPL partnerships. Topics included why we have partnerships, partnerships in-house, outreaches, and other partnerships.

G. **Director's Report**

4. 25-0828 Director's Report

> Attachments: June 3 Library Directors Report Budget Comparison Library Staffing

Calendar Overview

- Corpus Christi Public Libraries fiscal year 2025 budget comparison was given and budget priorities were discussed.
- Jayne Atokuku-Vitz gave an overview of the new online calendar.
- The construction contract for the renovation of La Retama is tentatively scheduled to be on the June 24th City Council agenda.

Н. **Unfinished Business**

- None
- New Business for Discussion L
- 5. Input Discussion For Budget Letter To Be Provided To City Council

• Input Discussion For Budget Letter To Be Provided To City Council- Pat Craig asked Laura Garcia for details on the timeline of the budget process. She then asked the board member for input for a draft of a letter to be sent to city council if approved by the board.

J. Future Agenda Items

• Budget letter to be sent to City Council.

K. Adjournment

Adjournment at 11:48 am.