



City of Corpus Christi

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Library Board

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

10:30 AM

La Retama Central Library, La Retama Room

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A. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:32 am.

B. Roll Call

Present: Julie Rogers, Vickie Natale, Pooja Bindingnavele, Nicole Carroll, Candace Hart, Alice Hawkins, Sharron Hines, Dora Wilburn

Present Virtually: None

Absent: Carroll Matthews

C. Public Comment

Dora Benavides recently used a library computer and spoke with Sharron Hines about making accommodations for those with special needs at the library. She proposed taking a tour of the library, looking at things from a disabled point of view. She also suggested making the website handicap accessible, delivering books to those who are homebound, as well as providing visual and auditory aides. She likes our brochure but recommends providing it in large print and providing more programs designed for those with special needs.

D. Approval of Minutes and Action on Absences

A motion to approve the August minutes was made Pooja Bindingnavele and seconded by Candace Hart. The motion passed unanimously.

1. [23-1449](#) August 8 Regular Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [August 8 Library Regular Meeting Minutes - Draft](#)

E. Friends of CCPL Liaison Report

2. [23-1450](#) Friends of CCPL Liaison Report

- Mrs. Hines reported that any donations should be received through Friends of CCPL.
- Friends of CCPL have approved their budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

F. Director's Report**3. [23-1451](#) Director's Report**

- FY 2024 Library Budget Update- A second reading of the budget is schedule for September 5th, a final decision will come soon.
- Library Cooling Centers & La Retama Storage Statistics- The libraries have opened as cooling centers more often this year than in previous years. Staff who work extra hours are converted to comp time or reschedule to make up hours. We are currently looking at Parks department for staff assistance. 36 people used the storage container between July 26th and September 3rd . More people used the container on weekends when local shelters were closed. During that same time 4,3596 people used La Retama Central Library and 86,843 used all our branches during cooling center hours. On July 4th, 317 people used the libraries: 122 at La Retama Central Library, 64 at McDonald, 52 at Neyland, 40 at Harte, 15 at Hopkins, and 24 at Garcia.
- Discover CCPL Fall Brochure- Laura gave an overview of the Fall brochure; it is posted online, and hard copies are coming soon. The libraries have started working with local ISDs to collect school supplies and hygiene items to be given out at schools. There will be a coat and pet supply drive starting in November. The brochure also shows our Social Work Intern has started and online payments are starting soon.

G. Unfinished Business

- None

H. New Business for Discussion and Possible Action**4. [23-1487](#) Upcoming Vacancy and Appointment Discussion**

- Nicole Carroll and Julie Rogers will term out on November 5th. Pooja Bindingnavale, Candace Hart, and Vickie Natale are all eligible for re-appointment and all want to be re-appointed. Vickie Natale has stated she would step down as Vice-Chair, leaving openings for both Chair and Vice-Chair. Candace Hart expressed interest in Vice-Chair.

I. Future Agenda Items

None.

J. Adjournment

Adjournment at 11:45 am.