

McKINNEY PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD

FEBRUARY 16, 2017

The McKinney Public Library System Advisory Board met in regular session in the Meeting Room of the John and Judy Gay Library, 6861 W. Eldorado Parkway, McKinney, Texas, on February 16, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

Board members Present: Coretta Lule, Joann Pond, Amanda Hamilton, Peter Samsury, Joseph Closs, Cheryl Darveaux, and Lauren Smith-Carter.

Absent: None

Staff present: Library Director Spencer Smith, Library Branch Manager Helen Talley, and Administrative Assistant Alicia Quiroz.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. after determining a quorum was present.

There was one guest present.

17-176 Minutes of the Library Advisory Board Meeting of January 19, 2017

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Cheryl Darveaux, seconded by Board member Joseph Closs, to approve the Minutes of the Library Advisory Board Meeting of January 19, 2017.

17-177 Chairman Samsury called for the Roy and Helen Hall Public Services Report. Library Manager Helen Talley presented the Roy and Helen Hall Public Services Report: Jason, our circulation supervisor, has rearranged the Fiction, Mystery and Science Fiction collection. Previously Fiction was arranged across two ranges of shelving with Mystery and Science Fiction following. Jason arranged the collection so all of Fiction is shelved on one range and Mystery and Science Fiction on the second range. Jason has also created numerous signs for the building, directing patrons to locations of collections and service points. Numerous public services staff are serving on library committees, planning Staff Development Day, and addressing issues with Koha. Public Services staff is also working closely with Tech Services in weeding collections

and relabeling projects. AARP volunteers are now coming in every Friday and Saturday to offer free tax assistance and Public Services is working with the volunteers to streamline the process. The first weekend AARP volunteers assisted with 108 tax returns, a new record. In addition we offer basic tax forms and booklets, 1040, 1040A, etc. Staff is also encouraged to print forms not offered. In recognition of Black History Month, Susan coordinated a program about Ross cemetery, the final resting place of the community's earliest African-American residents including former slaves and veterans of wars dating back to the Texas Revolution. We had 15 participants. ESL registration will be February 16th and Susan has volunteers for every class level. At this point there are 36 returning students from the Fall ESL semester. Interlibrary Loans continue to be very popular. We are currently averaging 30 requests a week. February 18th we will host Doug Box, a local author to talk about his book Texas Patriarch. Doug's father, Cloyce Box, was a former Detroit Lions Pro Bowl wide receiver whose sprawling Frisco estate was the original Southfork Ranch from TV's Dallas who rose to corporate fame and wealth then lost everything. The book covers Cloyce Box's fascinating life and his family's struggles.

17-178 Chairman Samsury called for the Director's Report. Director Spencer Smith presented the Director's Report: Historical Attendance – in January our adult attendance did drop from what our target was. Part of the reason was due to not having many adult programs planned. You will see that in our Children's programs we are right on target. Our Teen's programs have actually been increasing. Our Youth Services will report to the Board in May and we plan on inviting both Presidents from the Teen Advisory Boards to do a presentation. Historical Turnover – again this is the average number of times every item in our collection is checked out. We have our target and our actual and we were hoping to do it in half the time every month. Activity Per Borrower – Our visits have

increased. We weren't quite where we wanted to be on our target. I had asked for a significant increase. We average 3.7 checkouts per visit and that's the 98th percentile of all libraries in Texas.

Chairman Samsury called for an update from the Friends of the Library. Board member Joann Pond gave a quick recap: We are working on Read Across McKinney which will happen in October 2017 and there will be a huge reveal which we are to remain quiet on. I can say that the contract was signed and it is a book that will be very popular because it speaks to all audiences.

Chairman Samsury called for citizen comments and there were none.

Chairman Samsury called for Board or Commissioner Comments and there were none.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Cheryl Darveaux, seconded by Board member Coretta Lule, to adjourn. Chairman Samsury adjourned the meeting at 5:27 p.m.

PETER SAMSURY
Chairman