

McKINNEY PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD

AUGUST 15, 2019

The McKinney Public Library System Advisory Board met in regular session in the Conference Room of the John and Judy Gay Library, 6861 W. Eldorado Parkway, McKinney, Texas on August 15, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

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

Staff Present: Library Director, Spencer Smith, Library Branch Manager, Lisa Bailey and Administrative Assistant, Alicia Quiroz

There was one guest present.

Chairman Pete Samsury called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. after determining there was a quorum present.

19-0682 Minutes of the Library Advisory Board Meeting of July 18, 2019.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Lauren Smith-Carter, seconded by Board member Sherri Darveaux, to approve the Minutes of the Library Advisory Board meeting of July 18, 2019.

19-0683 Discuss the John and Judy Gay Library Public Services Report. Library Manager, Lisa Bailey delivered her report. Our staffing has been fairly steady in the past six months. Whitney Jones, the Library's Outreach Librarian, spends some of her hours at JJGL, making connections with the public. Sagar Patel, a UTD student, has been our library intern this summer. He assisted with Summer Reading Programming, provided customer service at the circulation and information desk, and planned school-aged STEM programming lesson plans in collaboration with a library staff member. We are losing two of our part-time library assistants, one who has established her own business in Melissa, and the other who has moved too far away (and closer to school) to make commuting to McKinney for a part-time position a reasonable option. We plan to have these positions filled soon. We are wrapping up our summer

programming. The Hall Library housed the majority of our special summer programs since our meeting room capacity was limited to 49, but we were still able to present some big programs by spreading the activities throughout the library. This way, no one area was overcrowded, and volunteers were able to assist with crafts and activities. We had a number of teen and adult volunteers this summer who helped to prepare the prize bags for the children, helped to prepare the crafts, did some shelving for us, straightened up the shelves and pulled the pending holds. These were all essential tasks that staff would have needed to do had we not had the volunteers donating their time. While not many volunteers are excited to help dust and clean the shelves, and other work that they do may not be perceived as glamorous, I think that our volunteers enjoy their time with us, and know that we appreciate their contribution. Our Toddler Time, Wobblers and Walkers, Little Ones Lapsit, Family Play Date, and So You Think You can Draw programs all continued at JJGL along with several new adult book clubs and presentations. Getting their names on our Summer Reading Program rocket ship was a highlight of the reading program for many of the children. Our shelves have emptied as the families made good use of their additional reading (and video watching) time. Looking out my office window on the west side, I've seen a lot of progress on our new road and its associated new parking lot. The closure of the drive-up book-drop has gone on longer than anticipated, and we are grateful that we have our remote book-drops at the LegacyTexas bank and at the Tuesday Morning shopping center on Louisiana. Our couriers have been making extra stops at the remote book-drops to pick up the many items deposited there. We anticipate having at least walk-up access to our outside book-drop in a few weeks.

- 19-0684** Discuss the Director's Report. Library Director, Spencer Smith delivered a PDF report that highlighted events and statistics for the month of July 2019. The next Library Advisory Board meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m.

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at the Roy and Helen Hall library on Thursday, September 19, 2019.

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Sherry Darveaux, seconded by Board member Ambronita Douzart, to adjourn. Chairman Peter Samsury adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

PETER SAMSURY
Chairman