

McKINNEY PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM ADVISORY BOARD

FEBRUARY 18, 2016

The McKinney Public Library System Advisory Board met in regular session in the Dulaney Room of the Roy and Helen Hall Library, 101 East Hunt Street, McKinney, Texas on February 18, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Board members Present: Coretta Lule, Jonathan Perera, Amanda Hamilton, Peter Samsury, Joseph Closs, Cheryl Darveaux

Absent: Joann Pond

Staff Members present: Spencer Smith, Director of Libraries, and Brenda Romero, Library Administrative Assistant, as transcriber.

16-203 Minutes of the Library Advisory Board Meeting of January 21, 2016

Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Peter Samsury, seconded by Board member Joseph Closs, to approve the minutes as presented.

16-214 Director's Report

Spencer Smith, Director of Libraries, discussed current library goals and how we have exceeded during our first quarter compared to last year. We are seeing an increase in individuals utilizing the library. Circulation is up based on last year's stats mostly due to the implementation of automatic renewals. The holds have increased since we have changed the policy for holds and now have a self-serve holds shelf at Hall. JYG has always had one and their number of holds has been constant. We are rearranging collections to better suit our patrons, reducing the amount of time they need to search for materials by targeting certain collections by popularity and public demand, including revamping and developing certain collections based on circulation data. (Circulation data was passed out to Library Board Members).

We now have the Zinio eMagazine database up and running and have had four to six hundred checkouts since it went live in November. Our

spring ESL classes have begun again with a diverse, multi-cultural group of students. We currently have sixty-five students with our advanced level course now being taught at our John and Judy Gay Library.

Our summer reading program schedule is now finalized. During the summer our usual programming will be on hold except for Music and Movement and storytimes, allowing us to concentrate on summer reading programs. We have implemented Beanstack, our new summer reading platform; benefits of Beanstack include, online reading logs from the convenience of your home, not requiring you to return them to the library, filters to find material on specific topics, booklist capabilities, easy access from homepage, and a profile which can be created for each child. We have been using TicketLeap, an online reservation system, for our regular programming and will actively launch this program for summer programming as we are no longer handing out first-come, first-serve tickets. We will continue to train patrons and staff before summer programming rolls around. This year's summer reading theme is health and wellness. We will have a variety of events; including, special one-time programs, movie dates, and the end of summer party with a food truck being held at the John and Judy Gay Library. We have a special STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) pilot camp program scheduled for this upcoming spring break, with a preschool program held in the morning and a school age program in the afternoon. (The finalized Summer Reading Program Schedule was passed out to Library Board Members).

AARP tax assistant has been very well received at JJGL. The first day at Hall was packed. The information lab at Hall and JJG will receive updated computers next Tuesday and Wednesday. All Library computers will now use Windows 8.1. We are currently working on providing color printing and wireless printing for patrons.

The meeting ended with a brief question and answer session. The next meeting will be held on March 17, 2016 at the John and Judy Gay Library. Board members unanimously approved the motion by Board member Peter Samsury, seconded by Board member Coretta Lule, to adjourn at 5:40 p.m.

JONATHAN PERERA
Chair