CITY OF AMARILLO

MINUTES

On October 12, 2020, the AMARILLO LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD met at 4:00 p.m. for a meeting by Video Conference.

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. OF MEETINGS
Monica Smith-Hart, Chair	YES	25	16
Mary-Lynn Cameron, Vice-Chair	YES	10	7
Shawn Read	YES	4	4

Also in attendance:

Amanda BarreraDIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES, CITY OF AMARILLOMary RedmondLIBRARY SECRETARY, CITY OF AMARILLOCourtney WhiteASST CITY ATTORNEY, CITY OF AMARILLOMichael FreemanLIBRARY TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST, CITY OF AMARILLOTroyce WilsonHARRINGTON LIBRARY CONSORTIUM, IT ANALYST

- 1. <u>Call to Order.</u> Ms. Monica Smith-Hart, Chair, established a quorum and called the regular meeting of the AMARILLO LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD to order.
- 2. Public forum. None
- 3. <u>Minutes.</u> Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting held by video conference on AUGUST 10. Motion was made by Mr. Shawn Read, seconded by Ms. Mary-Lynn Cameron, and carried to approve minutes as amended.
- 4. <u>Presentation and Discussion by the Staff of Harrington Library Consortium:</u> Ms. Troyce Wilson, HLC Information Technology Analyst, is responsible for the technical aspects of HLC day-to-day operations, including the recruiting of new member libraries. Currently, there are 137 libraries in the HLC. Members and patrons have access to over two million items throughout the Panhandle. APL and the member libraries donate money to purchase eBooks for patrons.

HLC provides several databases, which includes *Tumble Books, Global Road Warrior, Columbia Granger's World of Poetry, A to Z the USA, Britannica, Cypress Resume*, and *My Heritage*. HLC also provides free online training for librarians, and web support for the libraries. APL saves \$80,000 each year as a member.

In 1978, the Harrington Library Consortium received a grant from Don & Sybil Harrington Foundation to start an online universal catalog. The HLC name derived from Don & Sybil Harrington Foundation. HLC was the first consortium to allow a universal library card in the United States.

- 5. <u>Discussion by the Director of Library Services on current Departmental issues and activities.</u>
- A. Friends of the Library: Due to COVID-19, the library canceled Books to Broadway for October. Friends had a virtual book sale in September. It was successful, with almost \$3,000 in earnings. Friends Memberships will be valid through December 31, 2021.
- B. Makerspace update: Ms. Barrera showed photos on the progress of the Makerspace. The project should be complete in February.
- C. 2020-2021 departmental budget: Members reviewed the Library's Operating Budget for 2020-2021. The new fiscal year started October 1, 2020. The budget had a 3% decrease this year from last year.
- D. Programming and Events at all APL locations: ESL classes started on September 14. The classes will be at Downtown Library in Meeting Room AB, in HLC, and North Branch, with student limit of 12 to 20.

SW Branch Meeting room will be a polling location for Randall County. Early voting takes place October 13-30. Election Day is Nov 3. League of Women voters guides are available at all library locations.

5. <u>Discuss Items for Future Agendas.</u> Mr. Kenneth Bates resigned from the Library Advisory Board. Council will appoint two new members, in November.

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting adjourne all comments are on file with the City Library Department.

Monica Smith-Hart

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Amanda Barrera, Directory of Library Services