

## MINUTES

On JUNE 12, 2017, the AMARILLO LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD met at 4:00 p.m. at EAST BRANCH LIBRARY, 2232 E 27<sup>th</sup> for a Regular Meeting.

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
Joy Brenneman, Chair	Yes	20	18
Cullen Lutz, Vice-Chair	No	19	17
Monica Smith-Hart	YES	8	4
Joe Sullivan	Yes	8	6
C. Thomas Warren III	Yes	3	3

Also in attendance:

Amanda Barrera

DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES, CITY OF AMARILLO

Jane Holt

EAST BRANCH LIBRARIAN, CITY OF AMARILLO

Kevin Starbuck

ASST CITY MANAGER, CITY OF AMARILLO

Call to Order. Ms. Joy Brenneman, Chair, established a quorum and called the regularly scheduled meeting of the AMARILLO LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD to order at 4:00 p.m.

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting held on APRIL 10, 2017. Motion was made by Dr. Monica Smith-Hart, seconded by Mr. Thomas Warren, and carried, to approve minutes, with a correction to Mr. Thomas Warren's attendance.

ITEM 2: Presentation and Discussion by the Director of Library Services on current Departmental issues and activities.

Friends of the Library Activity report: AMA-CON 2017 two-day event will be on August 5-6 at the Amarillo Civic Center.

AMA-CON goal of attendance was 8,000 last year, with an expected increase in attendance for 2017. The artists will include Robert Axelrod, Rachel Caine/ R. Cat Conrad, Cassandra Lee Morris, & DFW Ghostbusters.

Vendors will be in the North & South Exhibit Hall; Games & tournaments will be in the South Exhibit Hall; Cosplay contests in Regency Room; Anime Viewing Room, Panels & Presentations, Art Show, & Kids Room will be in the Heritage. The Geek Prom will be on Saturday, August 5, from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., in the Regency Room. AMA-CON radio sponsors, KGNC, & 100.9 The Eagle, will host the Geek Prom.

Additional activities will include a Lip Sync Battle, & the Coffee Memorial Blood Center mobile unit. AMA-CON volunteers are welcome. Mr. Ben Wilting, the library's Digital Services Librarian, is the volunteer contact person for AMA-CON. You may email him at [benjamin.wilting@amarillolibrary.org](mailto:benjamin.wilting@amarillolibrary.org), or call the Downtown Library.

Signups for booths at the end of this year's AMA-CON will get this year's price. AMA-CON booth prices increase in increments as the event gets closer. Booths are now \$150.00 each.

AMA-CON entry cost will be \$5.00 for one day, or \$8.00 for both days.

ESL & Citizenship classes are starting for the summer. Next month, Mr. Pat Mullin will be offering a citizenship class in Spanish.

Registration has started for AMARILLO READS in the Summer program. The theme for this year is *Build a Better World*. So far, almost 3,600 have registered for the program. Adults & kids are encouraged to sign up for the reading program.

Southwest Branch had a program called *Touch the Trucks*, with 147 attendees. *Edible Architecture* event had 55 in attendance at the East Branch. North Branch had a gardening program with 25 in attendance.

Ms. Jane Holt, East Branch Librarian, talked about East Branch activities. She will be resigning from the Amarillo Public Library on June 20 to take a job in Midland.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 4:19 p.m. This meeting was recorded and all comments are on file with the City Library Department.

ATTEST:

Amanda Barrera  
Amanda Barrera, Directory of Library Services

Joy Brenneman  
Joy Brenneman, Chair