



Minutes LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD January 5, 2011

Minutes of the Library Advisory Board (LAB) recorded at 6:30 p.m. on Jan. 5, 2011, within the Tempe Public Library's Meeting Room B, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Kirk Deem, Chair
Patricia (Trish) DeGraaf
Ira King, Jr.
Dawn Thacker
Johnny Tse

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Paul Hubbell
Kurtis Zinger

City Staff Present:

Amanda Martin, Administrative Assistant - Library & Cultural Services Division
Rachael Peterson, Administrative Assistant - Library & Cultural Services Division
Dorothy Stewart, Librarian - Tempe Public Library
Sherry Warren, Manager - Tempe Public Library

Guest(s) Present:

Lupe Camargo, President - Friends of the Tempe Public Library

Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order

- Kirk Deem, Library Advisory Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the Nov. 3, 2010, Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

- **MOTION:** Ira King, Jr. moved to approve the Nov. 3, 2010, Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes.
- **SECOND:** Trish DeGraaf seconded.
- **DECISION:** Nov. 3, 2010, Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes approved.

Agenda Item 3 - Library Report: Tempe Public Library Staff

- Rachael Peterson, Library and Cultural Services Division Administrative Assistant, introduced Sherry Warren, Tempe Public Library Manager, and welcomed S. Warren to the Library Advisory Board meeting.
- S. Warren reported that there is an active recruitment for a .5 Children's Librarian position within the Tempe Public Library's Youth Library area; S. Warren explained that qualified candidates for the position have been identified. Warren further added that a candidate will be selected to fulfill the vacant Librarian position within the next couple of weeks.

Agenda Item 4 - Library Activity Report: October and November, 2010

- No report. Kirk Deem, Library Advisory Board (LAB) Chair, encouraged the LAB members to view the statistics reports prepared by Clay Workman, Tempe Public Library Operations Manager, included in the LAB meeting packets.

Agenda Item 5 - Report: Electronic Resources

- Rachael Peterson, Library and Cultural Services Division Administrative Assistant, introduced Dorothy Stewart, Librarian - Tempe Public Library, and welcomed D. Stewart to the Library Advisory Board (LAB) meeting.
- D. Stewart facilitated an interactive, electronic presentation related to the Tempe Public Library's electronic resources; D. Stewart discussed the following information:
 - Scholarly databases (ERIC);
 - eBooks (downloads, streaming);
 - Audiobooks;
 - Popular research databases (Gale, EBSCOhost);
 - The Greater Phoenix Digital Library;
 - Spanish databases;
 - Biography and genealogy databases;
 - Business resources.
- D. Stewart explored multiple areas of the Library's electronic resources webpage, <http://www.tempe.gov/library/sources/>, and guided the LAB members through each element of the webpage.
- Kirk Deem, LAB Chair, inquired about eReader devices; D. Stewart provided K. Deem with several examples of eReaders, and guided K. Deem to the following website:
 - <http://www.tempe.gov/library/help/ebooks/>.
- Trish DeGraaf stated that the Tempe Public Library's eBook system is very user-friendly; T. DeGraaf further praised the system and noted that she is able to check-out and renew eBooks with ease.
- Lupe Camargo, Friends of the Tempe Public Library President, inquired about the Library's outreach to the community related to its eBook services. Dorothy Stewart stated that the demand for eBooks at the Tempe Public Library is high; D. Stewart noted that the Tempe Public Library has offered electronic resources programming via free instructional classes to the Tempe community.
- Sherry Warren stated that youth eBooks are popular; S. Warren suggested that the Tempe Public Library partner with Tempe schools as a means to continue to educate young members of the community.
- K. Deem thanked D. Stewart for her presentation.

Agenda Item 6 - Report: Friends of the Tempe Public Library

- Lupe Camargo, President of the Friends of the Tempe Public Library, reported that the Friends' online book sales continue to be a great source of revenue for the Friends; L. Camargo stated that online book sales surpassed in-store book sales in December, 2010.
- L. Camargo reported that the Friends of the Tempe Public Library (Friends of the Library) continues to focus on organizational development in 2011, as well as building a strong partnership with the Tempe Public Library.
- L. Camargo further noted that the Friends of the Library continues to receive quality text book donations; L. Camargo reminded the Library Advisory Board (LAB) members that upon receiving donations, the Friends of the Library appraises its donated books. Camargo reiterated that valuable books are being sold online via Amazon.com in an effort to maximize donations. Camargo again praised the Tempe Public Library staff members, as well as Adrienne Richwine, Deputy Manager - Library and Cultural Services Division, for their assistance-to, and continued support of, the Friends of the Library.
- L. Camargo reported that Rob Moore, Friends of the Library Book Store Manager, is leaving his position as Book Store Manager; L. Camargo stated that the Friends of the Library is currently seeking a part-time book store manager. Camargo added that both Rebecca Bond, Executive Director of the Friends of the Library, and Julie Fellows, Connections Café Manager, have been cross-trained to help facilitate the duties of the Friends' Book Store Manager Position.
- L. Camargo announced that the Friends of the Library plans to celebrate the anniversary of its Book Store grand-opening the weekend of February 11 and 12, 2011, via outreach to the public, a ribbon-cutting activity, a book sale and other activities.
- L. Camargo reported that the Friends of the Library is working with Tracy Hokaj, Librarian - Tempe Public Library, to promote its life-long educational programming to the Tempe community.
- L. Camargo announced that per the suggestion of Kurtis Zinger, LAB member, the Friends of the Library is partnering with an Arizona State University (ASU) business fraternity to develop and strengthen the existing Friends' strategic plan.
- Ira King, Jr. inquired about the Connections Café's ability to continue meeting its initial goal of being a gathering place for the boomer population; L. Camargo reported that Tempe Connections continues to offer life-long learning programs and services for boomers in conjunction with the Osher Institute and Experience Core.

Agenda Item 7 - Board Members' Announcements

- Kirk Deem, Library Advisory Board Chair, announced the resignation of Cyndi Newburn and Kathy Hayden, Library Advisory Board (LAB) members. Deem noted that both C. Newburn and K. Hayden are relocating out of the Tempe area.
- K. Deem further noted that Ira King, Jr.'s final LAB term ended effective Dec. 31, 2010. Deem explained that I. King is continuing to serve as a member of the LAB until a new member is appointed by Tempe Mayor Hugh Hallman to replace Ira King, Jr.
- K. Deem thanked I. King for his many years of service to the Library Advisory Board, and for being an invaluable advocate for the Tempe Public Library.
- I. King thanked the LAB members for their recognition of his service to the Library Board; I. King stated that he enjoyed every moment of his service to the LAB, and reflected on

his personal growth throughout his years of service to the Library Board. King affirmed that he will continue to be an advocate for the Tempe Public Library, and will continue to serve on City of Tempe Boards and Commissions.

Agenda Item 9 - Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

The next meeting of the Library Advisory Board is scheduled to take place at 6:30 p.m. on Wed., Feb. 2, within the Tempe Public Library Meeting Room B, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ, 85282.

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