

AUSTIN PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

July 8, 2019; 4:30 p.m.

Board Chair Alex Mayfield called the regular meeting of the Austin Public Library Board to order at 4:30 p.m., on Monday, July 8, 2019, at the Austin Public Library.

PRESENT: Alex Mayfield, Janet Anderson, Melissa Bonorden, Nitaya Jandragholica, Stephanie Postma, Julie Schramek

ALSO PRESENT: Joyce Poshusta, Julie Clinefelter, Sara Steinhoff

ABSENT: Ojoye Akane, Mariana Camarena, Jodi Krueger

AGENDA: Julie Schramek moved to approve the agenda; Stephanie Postma seconded. Motion carried.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Julie Schramek, seconded by Stephanie Postma, to approve the June 10, 2019, meeting minutes as presented. Carried.

EXPENSES AND FINANCE REPORTS:

The board reviewed the June 2019 Check Register and Budget Report. A motion was made by Stephanie Postma, seconded by Janet Anderson to approve the expenditures from June 2019. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS/MEETINGS:

The Finance Committee presented the proposed 2020 budget to the board for review, noting that aside from minor increases to the line items for advertising, temporary staff salaries and computer equipment replacement, the budget had few changes from the amounts requested for 2019.

Finance Committee Chair Nitaya Jandragholica moved to approve the proposed 2020 budget for submission to City Council. Stephanie Postma seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OPERATIONAL REPORT:

Julie Clinefelter provided a written operational report to the board. Director Clinefelter noted strong numbers for Summer Reading registration and program attendance. She also advised the board of issues with disruptive behavior by a group of young teens, four of which were banned from the library for three months. The board discussed working with other entities and resources in the community to address some of these problems. Julie also noted the success of the new summer snack program, where a substantial daily snack is offered for all children (although the program is aimed at kids who are in the library for long hours without access to food). The snacks were provided by Hormel Foods.

SELCO REPORT: None.

OTHER BUSINESS: None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: An Austin resident was present for the meeting and noted her appreciation for library services - especially the interlibrary loan program.

BOARD COMMENTS: Nitaya Jandragholica will not be present for the August meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Julie Schramek moved to adjourn at 5:05 p.m.; Janet Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Sara Steinhoff, Recording Secretary

NEXT BOARD MEETING - Monday, Aug. 12, 2019, 4:30 p.m.