



City of Pflugerville

Minutes - Final

Library Board

Tuesday, February 9, 2016

6:00 PM

100 East Main Street, Suite 500

Worksession

Library Board Members:

Robert Spoonemore

Kevin Williams

Jerry Spataro

Deborah Bronson

Sue Lee Flores

Marylou Grzybowski

Rosie Riddick

Open, Alternate

1. Call to Order

Chair Spoonemore called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

Board Members Present: Robert Spoonemore (Chair), Rosie Riddick, Sue Lee Flores, and Kevin Williams. Deborah Bronson, Jerry Spataro, and Mary Lou Grzybowski were absent

Staff: Jennifer Coffey – Library Director, Daniel Berra – Assistant Director

2. Discuss Only

2A. [2016-4566](#)

Review and discuss the Five-Year Comprehensive Library Plan submitted by the Pflugerville Library Board to the City Council as required by the City Charter Section 8.11(c)1 and other matters regarding the Library.

Chair Spoonemore gave a brief introduction of Director Coffey.

Director Coffey reported on the circulation numbers, library visits, and program attendance for the previous year. The numbers reflect a popular, well-utilized library. In regards to the Texas State Library standards the library meets the criteria for an enhanced designation in most areas. The only area keeping the library from a total enhanced designation is the size of the collection. Director Coffey highlighted elements in the Five-Year Plan including expanding the collection by looking at new formats of materials, working with the city to hire a marketing specialist, continuing to expand the local history digital archive, and a new main or branch library in five years.

Mayor Jeff Coleman asked about the yearly renewal requirement for library patrons. He felt that for patrons on the periphery like himself, who use the library sporadically, this requirement might dissuade people from using the library's resources. Council Member Brad Marshall added that especially related to patrons using primarily internet resources this requirement might be a burden. The mayor suggested an online way to renew an account. Director

Coffey responded that this is an idea we can look into, and that we are somewhat limited in making these types of changes due to our library management system.

Board Member Riddick pointed out that based on the numbers reported by the director, usage of the library has not decreased indicating that perhaps there isn't a problem with the renewal requirement. Chair Spoonemore suggested the board might consider removing the residency requirements and out-of-district membership fee. He pointed out that some library members involved with the initial founding of the library no longer live within the library boundaries, yet are not charged the yearly fee.

Council Member Wayne Cooper asked for clarification on circulation numbers. Director Coffey clarified the circulation numbers for 2015.

Mayor Coleman stated that the \$7.5 million spent on the expansion of the library was a wise investment given the impressive number of visits to the library and high circulation numbers including e-resources. Council Member Cooper added that when someone says to him that libraries are dying that he suggests they visit ours.

Mayor Coleman asked about the utilization of the meeting rooms. Director Coffey responded that the rooms are heavily utilized by non-profits.

Mayor Coleman concluded the discussion of the Five-Year Plan by indicating the library staff is doing a great job. He also mentioned that Director Coffey came to a Rotary Club meeting and did a great presentation on the local history digital archive.

3. Adjourn

Chair Spoonemore adjourned the meeting at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Coffey
Library Director

Approved as presented on March 9, 2016.