

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES  
OF A REGULAR MEETING

KERRVILLE, TEXAS  
April 18, 2022

On Tuesday, April 18, 2022, the Library Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Bev Avery at 3:00 p.m. in the Library Meeting Room, 505 Water Street, Kerrville, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| Bev Avery        | Vice-Chairperson |
| Carol Wichman    | Board Member     |
| Kay Stewart      | Board Member     |
| Jennifer Daschel | Board Member     |
| Beck Gipson      | Board Member     |

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Megan Bean

STAFF PRESENT:

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| Danielle Brigati | Library Director       |
| Kim Meismer      | Assistant City Manager |
| Cate Schulenberg | Recording Secretary    |

VISITORS PRESENT:

None

3. VISITOR/CITIZENS FORUM:

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2A. Approval of minutes of the Library Advisory Board meeting held on January 18, 2022

Ms. Wichman moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Gipson seconded and the motion and it passed 5-0.

8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

9. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION:

4A. Quarterly Update by Library Director (staff)

Ms. Brigati asked the board if they had any questions regarding information presented in the packet. She pointed out the increased numbers of check-outs and visitation. She stated that library numbers were beginning to return to pre-pandemic levels. Ms. Brigati also remarked on the increased visitation at the Kerr Regional History Center, noting that attendance in March was 96 people.

Ms. Brigati provided an update on on-going projects. The first project discussed was the HVAC and lighting. Ms. Brigati stated that the HVAC would be completed in approximately three to four weeks and the lighting project was on-going. The new lighting fixtures being installed are LED.

The next project discussed was NET vehicle. Ms. Brigati explained the vehicle was currently in Minnesota being converted into a library bookmobile. The representative from the conversion company Waldoch, Keith Kline had told Ms. Brigati the van would be ready to ship in approximately four weeks. Ms. Brigati stated the van would then be wrapped and hopefully, ready for use during summer reading.

Ms. Brigati pointed out the meeting room upgrades that were funded by the Friends of the Library. Ms. Meismer suggested Ms. Brigati provide a demonstration of the new technology which Ms. Brigati proceeded to do. Ms. Avery asked how many people could fit in the meeting room and Ms. Brigati stated that comfortably around 75, but there have been close to 140 during a program.

Ms. Brigati stated that the library intends to add a streaming video platform through Bibliotheca. The platform is A flat fee platform rather than a pay-per-circulation model. She stated the platform is brand-new but is adding content every month. Ms. Wichman asked if she would be able to watch content from home with her library card. Ms. Brigati explained that users would be able to watch remotely with their library card.

Lastly, Ms. Brigati stated the Friends of the Library have agreed to fund the replacement of the self-check machine,

security gate, and inventory wand for \$13,367 annually. Under the subscription, software updates, maintenance and firmware updates would be included. This would ensure the library always has updated equipment.

4B. Update on Friends of the Library activities (Jennifer Daschel)

Ms. Daschel reported the Friends of the Library would be issuing the final payment to the library for the mansion renovations in the amount of \$150,000. Ms. Meismer asked when the check would be issued and Ms. Daschel responded on May 1. Ms. Wichman asked about the current number of members because Joe did not have the Number at the last meeting. Ms. Wichman provided the library director and Ms. Daschel with a list of member she had compiled and suggested the Friends use it to compare and compile a new list. Ms. Daschel reported they currently had 193 members. Ms. Wichman asked if Ms. Daschel knew how many lifetime members the Friends had. Ms. Daschel reported that she did not have that number. Ms. Daschel further reported the Friends had resumed Saturday sales and the bookstore was selling over \$1,000 in books a month. Ms. Daschel. Ms. Daschel concluded her report to Board by stating the Friends were looking at new ways to attract members to the Friends.

4C. Update on History Center activities (staff)

Ms. Brigati reported that the history center is doing well and visitation to the center has increased due to more exhibits, events, and the implementation of a monthly children's storytime. She also reported that the last exhibit, African-American History in the Hill Country featured a presentation by Clifton Fifer, Jr. and the current exhibit, Wildscapes: Life on the Guadalupe featured a birding presentation by Paul and Delores Sellin. Both presentations were well attended. Ms. Brigati noted the next exhibit would highlight musicians, such as Jimmie Rodgers, who had ties to the area.

4D. Update on A.C. Schreiner House activities (staff)

Ms. Brigati reported that at the Board's last meeting the Design-Build process was explained by Ms. Meismer and asked Ms. Meismer if there was anything further to report on that process. Ms. Meismer reported that an "Expression of Interest" had been sent out and that hopefully the city would receive some good responses. Those interested in the project would then be given an opportunity as to view the structure as part of the pre-bid process.

In the previous meeting, it had been suggested that a tour of the A.C. Schreiner house be added to the agenda. Ms. Brigati asked the Board if there was anyone who wished to tour the building. Discussion ensued and only Ms. Stewart expressed that she had not seen the building yet, but that she was often at the library and could tour at another time.

4E. Next scheduled Library Advisory Board meeting – July 19, 2022.

**10. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST**

Ms. Brigati announced the library would be hosting a Spider-man 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary party on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Ms. Schulenberg announced Movie Chat would be held on Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm.

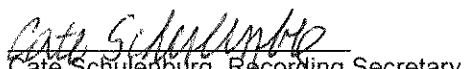
**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Avery moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Gipson seconded. The Library Advisory Board adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

APPROVED:

  
Megan Bean, Chairperson

  
Danielle Brigati, Library Director

  
Cate Schulenburg, Recording Secretary

10.18.22  
Date minutes approved & signed