

APPROVED MINUTES

CITY OF MILPITAS
LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION
MILPITAS PUBLIC LIBRARY, CONFERENCE ROOM, 160 N. MAIN ST.

January 11, 2010

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call** Chair Estioko called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Commissioners Present: Aoalin, Chou, Estioko, Hay, Pham, Phan, Stephens, and Wang
Absent: Montano
City Council Liaison Present: Councilmember Giordano
County Staff Present: Linda Arbaugh and Melinda Cervantes
County Staff Absent: Derek E. Wolfgram
City Staff Present: Lori Casagrande and Toby Librande
- II. Seating of Alternates** Alternate seated: Ha Phan
- III. Pledge of Allegiance** Chair Estioko led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. Approval of Minutes** **Motion** to approve the minutes of November 16, 2009 as submitted.
M/S: Hay, Chou Ayes: 7
- V. Announcements and Correspondence** The City buildings and the Library will be closed Monday, January 18, 2010 for Martin Luther King, Jr. birthday.
- VI. Public Forum** **Frank De Smidt, Rotary Club and Chamber of Commerce**, spoke about the Leo B. Murphy honors plaque proposal for a permanent installation to be displayed at the new library to honor the public school teachers from MUSD who have been selected for the annual award.
- VII. Adoption of Agenda** **Motion** to approve agenda as submitted.
M/S: Aoalin, Wang Ayes: 7
- VIII. Unfinished Business**
- 1. Education Subcommittee Update**
Vice-Chair Montano was not present at the meeting.
 - 2. Grants Subcommittee Update**

Commissioner Chou had no update.

IX. New Business

1. Leo B. Murphy Honors Plaque

Chamber of Commerce Chair Frank De Smidt and Superintendent Dr. Karl Black addressed the Commission about the honors plaque for Teacher of the Year. The plaque would be approximately 30" X 24" and would contain a picture and biography of the current recipient and name plaques for the recipients of the last 10 – 12 years.

Motion to accept a proposal to have a permanent honors plaque installed at the Milpitas Public Library to commemorate the annual recipients of the Leo B. Murphy Teacher of the Year Award.

M/S: Hay, Wang

Ayes: 7

2. Children's Art Show April 2010

Each year in April, the City of Milpitas observes the Month of the Young Child. For the past five years, as part of the April activities, a children's developmental art show has been displayed in the Milpitas Library Community Room. The exhibit includes art produced by children infants through 12 years of age, shown in chronological order to emphasize the ages and stages of artistic development. The process to host the show includes: requisitioning art from our local child care programs, selection of art by Milpitas Library Advisory Commissioners, matting and hanging the pictures by staff and opening the show with a small afternoon reception. The art reception this year will be held at 3:30 p.m. on March 28, 2010. Milpitas Library Advisory Commissioners again volunteered to select the art to be included in the Month of the Young Child art show for April 2010. The theme for this year's art is "Me!" self portraits.

X. Other Business

1. Friends of the Milpitas Library Report

Continue selling of books and videos. The next book sale is January 29th, 30th, and 31st. Friday, January 29th is for members only best choice 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Saturday, January 30th is for the public 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and Sunday is by the bag full 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

2. County Librarian Report

Silicon Valley Reads kicks off on Wednesday, January 27, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at the Campbell Heritage Theatre. In addition to In Defense of Food: An Eater's Manifesto by Michael Pollan, Silicon Valley Reads has selected three companion books for children: Carrot Soup by John Segal, Tops and Bottoms by Janet Stevens and Seedfolks by Newbery Medal winning author Paul Fleischman. The complete Silicon Valley Reads program guide is available at www.siliconvalleyreads.org with printed copies available at each library.

The Annual Library Friends and Commissioners Forum will be held on Saturday, January 30, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the Santa Clara County Library Administration Offices. Keynote Speakers, Adam Gay and Sandra Swanson of OrangeBoy, Inc. will present Strategic Planning Survey findings and will be available for a more detailed discussion of community results during a breakout session.

Santa Clara County Library is the first library in the U.S. to offer Bibliocommons, a new catalog that allows users to contribute content as well as search for titles. One patron called to say that the Library graduated from an infant to a Ph.D.! Nearly 20,000 patrons have already registered as new users. Check it out at www.santaclaracountylib.org.

The Gilroy Library closed December 2, 2009 in preparation for a move to the temporary location at 7652 Monterey Street where it will operate while the new Gilroy Library is under construction. The temporary library is scheduled to open early 2010.

RFID is up and running at the Los Altos Library; as the pilot program for the district, feedback from staff and patrons will be invaluable to the success of the entire project. More than half of the entire Library system collection has been tagged.

The next meeting of the Library JPA Board will be January 28, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. at the Library Administration Offices, 14600 Winchester Blvd., Los Gatos.

The Gilroy temporary library will open in late February or early March. New library will break ground late spring.

3. Community Librarian Report

Programs and Services: We have connected with a couple of art groups in the community, an Ikebana flower arranging class and the Golden Hills Art Club. The Ikebana folks had a wonderful show of their creations in early December and attracted over 200 people. Works by the Golden Hills artists are on display now in the auditorium. Just before Christmas the children's librarians produced a "Holiday Hullabaloo" which included crafts, games and a pie-eating contest.

Outreach: We were approached by Channel 26, the local cable television station, with an offer to publicize some of our programs and services. We have been working with Debra Whitlock who has created a PSA for our next poetry slam and one for the upcoming children's "Reading Buddies" program. Both are now being run on Channel 26, and we have also added them to our webpage.

Technology: The conveyor belts for our automated materials handling system have been replaced. The hope is that this will increase the speed of the machine. In preparation for RFID, we will soon get new security gates, new self-check machines and new counter tops to go under the machines since they will have a flat surface instead of the V-shape we have been using.

Building: I am happy to report that there was no damage from the earthquake we had this past Thursday, but we did have a bit of excitement on December 26, 2009 when a VTA bus decided to make a detour through the parking garage. There was an obstruction of some kind on Main Street and traffic was diverted around it. Unfortunately, the bus driver was new and apparently unaware of the height of the bus. She almost made it but did get stuck once she entered the garage. They had to let some air out of the tires to lower the height of the vehicle to free it.

Staff: In spite of a previous announcement that she was going to have a baby girl, children's librarian Diana Lara gave birth to a darling 7 lb. 3 oz. baby boy on December 13, 2009. Mother and baby are doing well. Diana will be on leave for the next five months.

Holidays: We will be closed Monday, January 18, 2010 in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr., birthday. We will be closed for Presidents' Day, Monday, February 15, 2010.

4. City Council Report

Councilmember Debbie Giordano apologized for missing the last few meetings this was due to focusing on the state of the budget; she is on the Budget Task Force. She shared general business from the last Council meeting including the Senior Center is due to be completed August 2010 and BART construction should start in 2012 and be completed by 2012.

5. City Staff Report

Current LAC Issues: Margie Stephens' award and photos are now on the City's website; the page has been updated with a new link box for "Honors and Recognition". We can add any additional information as requested by the Commission.

Child Care Program / HNP: Milpitas Alliance for Better Child Care meeting is tomorrow night, topic Family Child Care Taxes with James Houston. Lots of activity in the Planning Department for child care center applications. Facility Design workshop upcoming in April/May.

Special Events: Transition to K workshop February 23, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Community Center.

Holidays: City Buildings will be closed Monday, January 18, 2010 in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. birthday.

Other: Next meeting will be the third Monday of the month, March 15, 2010, at the Milpitas Public Library. Save the date CALTAC Spring 2010 Workshop, Saturday, February 27, 2010 at the Berkeley Library. A panel of local experts and patrons sharing how the library impacted them.

6. Future Agenda Items

Education Subcommittee Report
Grants Subcommittee Report

XI. Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Estioko adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting on March 15, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Milpitas Library Conference Room.