

**APPROVED MINUTES**

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

**January 10, 2011**

- 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, Montano, Phan, Stephens, and Wang (7:05 p.m.)  
Absent: Pham  
City Council Liaison Present: Councilmember Giordano  
County Staff Present: Linda Arbaugh  
County Staff Absent: Melinda Cervantes and Derek E. Wolfgram  
City Staff Present: Toby Librande
- II. Seating of Alternates** Alternates 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 15, 2010 as amended with one correction.  
M/S: Hay, Chou Ayes: 7
- V. Announcements and Correspondence** Vice-Chair Montano announced she attended 3 Kings Wise Men through Ballet Folklorico at the Library. Ms. Arbaugh said CALTAC workshop is scheduled for February 26, 2011. She is asking for volunteers. Chair Estioko stated the employees at the library do a good job. Commissioner Chou asked about computer theft at the library.
- VI. Public Forum** There were no speakers from the audience.
- VII. Adoption of Agenda** **Motion** to approve agenda as submitted.  
M/S: Hay, Aoalin Ayes: 7
- VIII. Unfinished Business**
- 1. Education Subcommittee Report**

Vice-Chair Montano had questions on the timeline. March 21, 2011 is the deadline for the essay contest. Linda Arbaugh distributed a draft of the entry form and the press release. The press release will be sent to the Milpitas Post, TriCity Voice, City website,

FilAm Star, and the MHS newspaper. The awards ceremony will be held on Saturday, April 16, 2011 in the Library auditorium at 2:00 p.m.

2. **Grants Subcommittee Report**

Commissioner Chou had no update.

**IX. New Business**

**Election of Officers**

According to the Library Advisory Commission By-laws, the Commission is required to elect a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson each January for a two-year term. Elpidio Estioko was nominated and re-elected as Chair. Carmen Montano was nominated and re-elected as Vice-Chair.

**X. Other Business**

1. **Friends of the Milpitas Library Report**

In 2010, the Friends of the Milpitas Library raised well over \$30,000 through our special sale events, the on-going sales at the main entrance, and direct sales to book dealers and through eBay. The funds are used primarily for library programs. The funds help pay for adult programs including the monthly book discussion group, multi-cultural performances and special speakers. For young adults the Friends' fund movie programs, the Summer Reading Club and Poetry Slams. This past year, children loved the Summer Reading Club and enjoyed guest performers at story times and special craft programs.

The Friends' last book sale was held in September and raised a record \$8,300.00. We are grateful for the tireless efforts of our many volunteers, including Library Advisory Commissioner Ha Phan and Marilyn Hay. We need more help at our busy book sales. Please let us know if you or anyone you know, would like to help us out at our next sale January 28, 2011 – January 30, 2011.

2. **County Librarian Report**

The County Librarian was not present at the meeting.

3. **Community Librarian Report**

**Programs:** We had two very special holiday celebrations in December. Both attracted very large crowds even though we did very little in the way of publicity. On December 11, 2011, we celebrated a Hawaiian Ohana Christmas with ukulele and guitar music and Hawaiian dancers. We had people call us up the next week to say how much they enjoyed this program. A week later we had a holiday extravaganza with crafts, music, games and food. This was another big hit with families.

We now have four weekly programs for adults: computer skills tutoring, a drop-in knitting and crocheting group, a yoga class and Thursday morning is Tai Chi. We are very fortunate to have people from the community leading the yoga and Tai Chi, both of which are extremely popular. The yoga is new as of November, but the Tai Chi has been going for over a year now.

**Possible Grant:** The state library had some LSTA funds to give away and invited libraries all across the state to 'pitch an idea' to them. We quickly came up with two ideas to toss out, and one of them was approved. We need to go through the formal application process, but it looks very good for us to get money so that we can offer a

series of eight Friday night story times. We will target families with young children who don't already have the library habit, which ties in nicely with our strategic plan goals.

**Special Events:** Last Saturday, we had a bone marrow drive for a baby who has leukemia. Although he has a twin brother, they are looking for a match for him outside of his immediate family. A total of 35 people registered; hopefully, one of these will be close enough to help little Aaden.

**Holidays:** The library will be closed on Monday, January 17, 2011 for Martin Luther King, Jr. birthday and Monday, February 21, 2011 for President's day.

#### **4. City Council Report**

Councilmember Debbie Giordano announced the new mayor and new Planning Commissioners; PG&E cross training with the Fire Department; and Budget hearings set for February.

#### **5. City Staff Report**

**Current LAC Issues:** Meeting calendar for upcoming year. Summer meeting vote will be agendaized for the March LAC meeting.

**Child Care Program/HNP:** Art show update – tentatively rescheduled for June, will confirm in March and request volunteers.

**Special Events:** Parks and Recreation Spring Activity Guide now available and on-line. Transition to Kindergarten workshop on February 8, 2011.

**Holidays:** The City of Milpitas will be closed on the following dates:

- January 17, 2011 – Martin Luther King's Birthday
- February 11, 2011 – Lincoln's Birthday
- February 21, 2011 – Presidents' Day
- May 30, 2011 – Memorial Day

#### **6. Future Agenda Items**

Education Subcommittee Report  
Grants Subcommittee Report  
National Library Week Proclamation Draft  
Children's Art Show  
Meeting Calendar

## **XI. Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chair Estioko adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting on March 21, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Milpitas Library Conference Room.