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MEETING

LANCASTER VETERANS MEMORIAL LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

Thursday, March 19, 2015, 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

The Members of the Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library Advisory Board met Thursday, March 19, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library (Conference Room), 1600 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Lancaster, TX 75134.

Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library Advisory Board Members Present: Quinnest R. Banks, Carolyn L. DeLoach, Tiffany Devereaux, Anne Ordone, Sonja L. Shipp, Marcus Slaughter, and Angela McCowan

Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library Advisory Board Members Absent: Desarea Bradley

City Staff Present: Sean Johnson, Managing Director; Jerry McCulley, Library Manager; and Cynthia D. Williams, Administrative Secretary

I. Call to Order

Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library Advisory Board Chair Marcus Slaughter called the Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library Advisory Board Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes (January 15, 2015)

Mr. Banks made a motion seconded by Mrs. DeLoach to approve the minutes of January 15, 2015 of the Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library Advisory Board as written. The motion carried unanimously.

III. Geek the Library Update (Sub – Committee Members)

Sub – Committee member Mr. Banks gave a status update as to the progress of the Geek the Library Campaign to include future programming ideas, fund raising, soliciting donations, etc. to begin in the spring/summer 2015.

Mr. Johnson encouraged the Sub - Committee to collaborate with the Friends of the Library as this is the philanthropic/non – profit arm of the Library.

Staff will send out emails, for anybody that wants to come in and assist the Sub - Committee at the April 11, 2015 meeting.

There was further questions/discussion.

IV. Texas Book Festival Grant - April 2015 (Jerry McCulley, Library Manager)

Mr. McCulley reported that we submitted the Book Festival Grant on February 4, 2015. It is for \$2500. Again, there is no guarantee we will get it, but there is the likelihood that we would. The purpose of the Grant is to enhance the collection. Whatever we have in our Budget for books, this would be in addition to that. Our focus is on materials that are by or about African Americans. We are trying to build up that part of our collection. We want know anything about that until they do the announcement during TLA (April 14 -18, 2015). There will probably most likely be an email after that week with award announcements.

V. Impact Grant Update (Jerry McCulley, Library Manager)

Mr. McCulley reported on the progress of the Impact Grant. In October/November, 2014, Staff researched devices that would be compatible with our existing platforms, our eBook and audio book platforms, and started making some decisions about purchases. We purchased some devices in December and January and began training Staff on how to use them so that they can answer questions when someone would walk in with an iPad; they would have an idea on how to answer that question. We have five Library employees trained in using the e-readers. In addition, in December, we began ordering audio books and eBooks.

There was further questions/discussion.

VI. Cooperative Grant Update (Sean Johnson, Managing Director)

Mr. Johnson gave a report on the Cooperative Grant. The project of the first two sessions was to create a sound track. The 2nd session is now in progress and we are at full capacity. Youth and parents are already waiting and excited about signups for the summer sessions.

There was further questions/discussion.

VII. Set Next Meeting Date and Agenda

- **Next Meeting Date:** May 21, 2015
- **Meeting Agenda:**
 - Geek the Library Update
 - The Quarterly STATS (January, February, and March)
 - The Cooperative/ Impact Grant Update
 - Texas Book Festival Grant Update

VIII. Adjournment

Mr. Banks made a motion seconded by Mrs. Ordone to adjourn. All present approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

ATTEST:



Cynthia D. Williams, Board Secretary

APPROVED:



Marcus Slaughter, Chair
Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library Advisory Board