

Present: David Short, Terry Huber, Rick Slaven, Anisha Adke

Staff Present: Cyndie Glazer, Bev Ross

Excused: Fred Baldwin, Sharon Callen, David White

Absent: Dick Raymond

Others: Councilor Jeff Gudman

The Library Advisory Board meeting was called to order by Chair David Short at 7:00 p.m. on November 14, 2012.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. Introductions

Chair Short welcomed Anisha Adke the LAB's new Youth Member. Introductions were made around the room.

3. Approval of Minutes – September 12, 2012

Due to the lack of a quorum, the minutes were not approved.

4. Public Comment

None

5. Director's Report

Cyndie Glazer gave the Directors report in the absence of Bill Baars as follows:

- Library staff are dealing well with their disappointment that the Library Bond Measure did not pass however they are moving forward and will continue doing the good work they have been doing in making the Library the best it can be. There has been a lot of thought on why the measure failed and the reasons heard most often are the uncertainty of the future of the West End Building, the raise in water bills makes it hard for citizens to vote for a money project and some do not want the Library to move. Terry Huber has gotten feedback from folks that say the Library is so successful that they don't see a need for a change. Councilor Gudman said he has heard that some did not like the Library being part of the bigger North Anchor project. In moving forward, Gudman said the option of moving the Library to the West End Building should be considered. There are 40,000 square feet on the lower level of the building which would not need structural work done to house a library. He said that although this is less than the 60,000 square feet requested in the Measure, it would be better than what we have now. Gudman suggests that if this idea has merit to supporters they should make it known to the City Council before their annual goal setting meeting in January. Gudman said that even though the Measure failed the community love of the Library remains. Chair Short commented that he has received remarks from citizens that they want the City to sell the West End Building and that they do not want any City services housed there.
- The Library had volunteers collecting ballots in front of the Library on Election Day beginning at 7:30 am until 8:00 pm. The number of ballots collected was over 3,500. This service is always appreciated by those dropping off ballots and it was a fun and upbeat day.
- The second annual Storytelling Festival took place the last week of October and was a great success. Events were held all week long at the Library and other venues throughout the City with the finale taking place at the West End Building.

- Halloween is always fun at the Library. Many staff members dressed up in costumes and candy treats were available at all of the service desks.

6. Chair's Report

Dave Short gave the Chair's report as follows:

- Short distributed copies of the 2011 year end letter and asked for feedback from LAB members for this year's letter. The letter is usually sent out the last week of November.

7. LO Reads

Cyndie Glazer gave the report on LO Reads:

- The plans for the events are coming together well. Glazer shared the newly created cover for the brochure that will be sent out in January.
- A partnership with Lewis and Clark College has been formed. An exchange student from Rwanda will show his documentary at the College on January 31 as part of LO Reads. One of the people featured in the documentary is Carl Wilkens who is scheduled to speak on February 1 for LO Reads. Wilkens will share his experience as the only American who chose to stay in Rwanda after the genocide began in 1994.
- A panel discussion of local Olympic athletes has been added as a program in February.

8. New Business

- None.

9. Adjournment

The Library Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Ross
Recording Secretary