

#### PASADENA PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSION AGENDA

#### Wednesday November 16, 2011 - 6pm Santa Catalina Branch, 999 E Washington Blvd (626) 744-4062



#### I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

- a. Santa Catalina Update and Tour of Refurbished Branch-Branch Manager Robin Reidy
- II. COMMUNITY COMMENTS (6:15 p.m.)
- III. MINUTES
  - a. Approval of Minutes for October 19, 2011 Library Commission Meeting\*
- IV. ACTION ITEMS
  - a. Approval of Commission Calendar and Attendance at Friends Meeting
- V. COMMUNICATIONS
  - a. Letters or Articles Regarding Library Services or Events

#### VI. CHAIRPERSON/COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

a. Chair Martinez

#### VII. LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- a. Legislative Update
- b. California Library Association Conference Report
- c. Library Foundation Meeting Report
- d. One City, One Story Report

#### VIII. REPORT(S) FROM COMMITTEES/REPRESENTATIVES

- a. Friends of the Library Report
- b. Library Branch Associates Report

#### IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### X. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Record of Attendance\*
- b. Commission Liaison at FOPPL Meetings\*
- c. Library Commission Meeting Dates\*

#### XI. ADJOURNMENT

\*Indicates support material attached

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DEBRA HUMPHREY, Recording Secretary

#### PASADENA PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

Central Library, 285 E Walnut St October 19, 2011 6:00 p.m.(626) 744.4062

PRESIDING: Roberta Martinez ABSENT:

PRESENT: Debbie Ayala, Morris Dent, Jane Haderlein, Kathleen Hamilton, Renee Morgan-

Hampton, Linda Stowitts, Jennifer Watts

**STAFF:** Catherine Hany, Debra Humphrey, Jan Sanders, Beth Walker, Pat Smith

#### I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Martinez called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Self-introduction of those in attendance took place, including the introduction of newly appointed commissioner Jan Haderlein, who made brief comments about herself and her interest in public libraries.

#### II. COMMUNITY COMMENTS

There was no community comment.

#### III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Approval of the minutes of September 21, 2011 with the following revisions: Addition that the commission noted there is no signage for the library branch on the Villa Parke Building, Derek Massengale is a role model, Villa Parke in conjunction with La Pintoresca will be creating a Friends group and Villa Parke Community receives 18,000 guests – not the branch. The commission approved the minutes with Haderlein and Ayala abstaining.

#### IV. COMMUNICATIONS

a. Letters or articles regarding library services or events.

#### V. LIBRARY REPORT

#### a. Summer Reading Club Report

Pat Smith reported that the children's Summer Reading Club theme was "One World, Many Stories." Participation was for children 12 and under. This 8-week program ran from June 18 to August 14, 2011. The program goal was to encourage sustained reading, encourage visits to the library and offer a quality program that was easy for customers to enjoy. Children were given incentives when a goal was reached. Prizes were awarded for number of minutes read. Children received three prizes: 1 at 200 minutes, another prize at 500 minutes and a 3<sup>rd</sup> prize at 800 minutes. 88% of the children enrolled finished the program. All children received a bag with pencils, record keeping logs and stickers. Programming at all locations consisted of a special program on a country or part of the world. How did we do? We did not do as well as we would have liked. Although this year, 3800 kids signed up for the program, last year we had 5800 children signed up and previous years we had over 6000 signed up. Some ideas to improve participation would be to do more outreach. Create a program that is more inclusive and serves not just those who already like to read, but those who don't as well. No Action Taken.

#### b. Teen Try It

Pat Smith gave a report on the Teens' reading program. Some of the programs included robotics, creative comic book illustration, art classes, character design for video games, animation film and illustrations, and wire & mixed media jewelry. The teen program is designed for ages 13 – 18. When a teen finished a book, a magazine, graphic novel, or audio book, they would stop by a Pasadena Public Library site, pick up and fill out a prize entry slip, and drop it into a designated prize box to be entered into a weekly drawing.

#### c. 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of the California Poets Report

Deputy Director Walker reported that the Pen Center USA and Poetry Society of America's event was held on Sunday, October 16 at Central Library in the Donald Wright Auditorium at 3pm. Contemporary California poets introduced and read poems by recognized California poets, as well as their own poems. There was a Q&A afterwards and book sale of the authors' work. It was a small group of approximately 35 people. No Action Taken.

#### d. Librarian I, II Pairings

Deputy Director Walker reported that this year, one of the library's goals is to partner a library branch manager with a reference librarian. Pairings with Branch Manager Walker and Reference Librarian Wang, combine jobs with careers. Branch Manager Lane and Reference Librarian Zhang combine community outreach and business. It allows them to become involved with one another and brings staff together to work across sections. It gives them an opportunity to learn new skills and gives them valuable diversified experience. Linking two workers from different fields provides experience, creativity and a better team. Some staff may have plateaued and this provides staff enrichment. No Action Taken.

#### VI. CHAIRPERSON/COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

a. Chair Martinez asked the commissioners to bring calendars to the next meeting. They will set the meeting locations for commission meetings and commission representatives at the Friends' meetings.

#### VII. LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

a. Legislative Update – AB438

Director Sanders reported that Governor Brown signed AB 438, the controversial library outsourcing measure. The bill imposes requirements on a city or library district that intends to withdraw from a county free library system and operate libraries with a private contractor. Supporters' argument is for the protection of jobs and for public input on the decision to outsource. The opposition's argument is that banning cities from contracting out services would make it difficult for cities to find ways to reduce operating expenses and could result in staff layoffs or branch closures. No Action Taken.

#### b. Pasadena Digital History Collaboration Update

Director Sanders reported that The Pasadena Digital History Collaboration (PDHC), a consortium of Pasadena cultural institutions, has recently expanded their collaboration to include a new partner; The Huntington Library, Collections and Botanical Gardens. The Huntington will provide access to their Harold Parker Photograph Collection. They join the Pasadena Public Library, Pasadena City College's Shatford Library and Pasadena Museum of History in bringing Pasadena's history to life by providing access to a collection of digitized, historical archives in Pasadena. One of PDHC's goals is to continue partnering with other local cultural institutions that are either in Pasadena or have Pasadena-related collections. There is a growth in database usage activity and the website had 178,000 hits in September. No Action Taken.

#### c. Report on ArtNight 2011

Director Sanders reported that ArtNight at Pasadena Public Library was themed Twist and Stomp the Night Away as we celebrated the 50's through 80's with a musical kaleidoscope, storytelling, crafts, art, photography, graphic novels and hula hoops. We had approximately 2,000 people at the library for this event. No Action Taken.

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#### VIII. REPORT(S) FROM COMMITTEES/REPRESENTATIVES

a. Friends of the Pasadena Public Library

Commissioner Watts reported on the Friends of the Pasadena Public Library meeting of September 28, meeting. The Friends discussed changes to the membership donation envelope including a suggested level of contribution of \$25 for an "Avid Reader." The Metropolis bookstore in Downtown Los Angeles is closing and bookstore owner Julie Swazye, a Pasadena resident, is donating the final inventory of her bookstore to the Friends. There will be approximately 20 boxes. No Action Taken.

#### b. Library Associates

Commissioner Hamilton reported that the San Rafael Associates are coming up with ideas for fundraising in order to update and beautify the patio and gardens to create an inviting outdoor space at San Rafael branch. No Action Taken.

#### c. Hastings Associates

No report from Hastings Associates.

#### d. La Pintoresca Branch

Chair Martinez reported that they are moving ahead with a branch associates meeting and are scheduled to meet in November. No Action Taken.

#### e. Linda Vista Associates

Deputy Director Walker reported that the Linda Vista Library Associates will have their annual party and author event on Sunday, October 23 at 2pm. The author is Reyna Grande and her book is Across a Hundred Mountains. No Action Taken.

#### IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. California Library Association Conference, Friday, November 11, 2011 Director Sanders provided an update on the conference and reminded commissioners to sign up, if they haven't already. No Action Taken.

#### X. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Record of Attendance No Action Taken
- b. Commission Liaison at FOPPL Meetings No Action Taken
- c. Library Commission Meeting Dates No Action Taken

#### XI. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the Library Commission adjourned without objection at 7:00 p.m.

Roberta Martinez, Chair	Debra Humphrey, Secretary
Pasadena Public Library Commission	Pasadena Public Library Commission

# 2012 LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING LOCATIONS

3RD WEDNESDAY, 6PM

January 18	Allendale
February 15	Hill Avenue
March 21	Linda Vista
April 18	Santa Catalina
May 16	La Pintoresca
June 20	San Rafael
July 18	Central
August 15	Hastings or Dark
September 19	Lamanda Park
October 17	Villa Parke
November 14*	Central
December 19	Central

## PASADENA PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING ATTENDANCE JULY 2011 - JUNE 2012

NAME	7/20/11	8/17/11	9/21/11	10/19/11	11/16/11	12/21/11	1/18/12	2/15/12	3/21/12	4/18/12	5/16/12	6/20/12
AYALA, DEBBIE – District 2	P		E	P								
DENT, MORRIS – District 4	P		P	P								
HADERLEIN, JANE – Mayor				P								
HAMILTON, KATHLEEN- District 6	P		P	P								
HAMPTON-MORGAN, RENEE- District 3	P		P	P								
MARTINEZ, ROBERTA- District 1	P		P	P								
STOWITTS, LINDA- District 7	E		P	P								
WATTS, JENNIFER - At Large/7	P		E	P								
VACANT - District 5												

P = PRESENT

E = EXCUSED

A = ABSENT

LOA = LEAVE OF ABSENCE

SHADED = NOT APPLICABLE

XX = MEETING CANCELLED

[R] = SPECIAL MEETING RETREAT

[S] = SPECIAL MEETING

NQ = NO QUORUM, SO NO MEETING HELD

R-N/A = RECUSED SO ATTENDANCE IS NOT APPLICABLE

### Library Commission Liaison Sign Up Friends of the Pasadena Public Library 2012 Meetings

(4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the Month – 7pm – San Rafael Branch)

January	25	
February	22	
March	28	
April	25	
May	23	
June	27	
July	25	
August	22	
September	26	
October	24	
November		
December		