



SIERRA VISTA LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2015

CALL TO ORDER:

M. Watts, Chair, called the regular meeting of the Sierra Vista Public Library Advisory Commission to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Sierra Vista Public Library, 2600 E. Tacoma Street, Sierra Vista, Arizona.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dottie Simmons
Trini Valentin
Yolanda Valentin
Mary Watts

MEMBERS ABSENT: Joan Blaylock

OTHERS PRESENT: Victoria Yarbrough, Leisure and Library Services Director
Emily Scherrer, Library Administrator
Craig Mount, City Council Liaison
Rick Mueller, Mayor, City of Sierra Vista
Janie Fix, Friends of the Library
Rita Spano, Friends of the Library
Debra Chatham, Library Recorder

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA:

T. Valentin moved that the Agenda be accepted as written. D. Simmons seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4-0. The motion passed.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 2, 2014

T. Valentin moved that the Minutes of the Regular meeting of December 2, 2014 be accepted as written. Y. Valentin seconded the motion.

VOTE: 4-0. The motion passed.



Leisure & Library Services

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

COCHISE COUNTY CITIZEN LIAISON COUNCIL REPORT ON RECENT ACTIVITY

T. Valentin reported that the Council has been working on scheduling the next meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON STAFF AND LIBRARY ACTIVITIES— Victoria Yarbrough:

V. Yarbrough reported that they have not yet filled the Children's Librarian position and will continue to seek applicants.

Victoria reported that the two part-time Library Assistant II positions will not be filled at this time.

Victoria said city staff will be looking closely at the city's budget in the upcoming months and exploring ways to maximize available funds and staff time.

Victoria reported that the historical plaques placed around Sierra Vista by the Historical Society have been geocached and are receiving interest from the geocaching community.

Victoria reported that the museum and library may have the opportunity to partner with ASU on a program about the borderlands.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Discussion on Commission Planning for National Library Week, April 12–18, 2015

The Commission discussed the scheduling of entertainment and promotion of the event.

M. Watts provided a copy of the tentative schedule to Councilman Mount.

D. Simmons asked if the issues with the library's roof could cause conflicts with the programming.

b. Discussion on Creating a Library History

T. Valentin will be meeting with museum curator Nancy Krieski regarding this project.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. Welcome new City Council Liaison, Craig Mount

The Commission welcomed Councilman Mount to the meeting.

Councilman Mount expressed his commitment to working with the Commissioners on continuing to provide library services the community can be excited about.

Councilman Mount encouraged Commissioners to seek his help with any future challenges the Commission may have.

b. Discussion on Commission Suggestions for the New Strategic Leadership Plan

V. Yarbrough explained the Commission's role in the process and asked the Commissioners to review the plans and prepare for discussion during the next meeting.

c. Library Advisory Commission Presentation to City Council

V. Yarbrough reported that the Commission's presentation is schedule for April, but an exact date has not been set.

T. Valentin and M. Watts will work together on the presentation.

Victoria said the commission should expect during the presentation for the City Council to ask them for help on relevant strategic planning goals.

BRIEF REPORT BY THE CITY COUNCIL LIAISON OF CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS RELEVANT TO THE LIBRARY – Councilmember Craig Mount:

Councilman Mount mentioned the schedule for the Council work sessions has changed. The Council will be working diligently on the city's strategic plan in the coming months. Councilman Mount said the Commissioners will have a role in prioritizing the needs of the library and the city.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

R. Spano, Friends of the Library, reported the Friends raised \$951 during their Saturday half-price book sale.

Rita mentioned the Friends' annual meeting will be Saturday, January 17, at 10:30 a.m. in the Mona Bishop Meeting Room. She invited everyone to attend.

J. Fix, Friends of the Library, mentioned that new officers will be elected at the annual meeting and said there will be Friends' membership applications available.

REQUESTS OF THE COMMISSION AND FUTURE DISCUSSION ITEMS:

T. Valentin asked the Commissioners if they would like for him to invite author Kathy Klump to a future Commission meeting to get advice on the library history project.

D. Simmons asked if it would be helpful for Commissioners to attend future Town Hall meetings as the city structured its strategic plan. Mayor Mueller said there will be opportunities for public comment. Councilman Mount encouraged the Commissioners to attend any future Town Hall meetings and express their support for the library.

V. Yarbrough mentioned that the new City Council work sessions schedule will conflict with Library Advisory Commission meetings and asked that discussion of the Commission meetings schedule be on the next agenda.

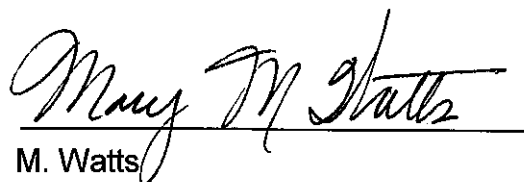
Mayor Mueller praised the Friends for their contributions to the library. J. Fix mentioned the Friends contribute from \$40,000-60,000 a year in funds to the library.

E. Scherrer mentioned that children's programming continues. The Friends will soon begin their annual corporate sponsorship drive. Corporate sponsors provide funding for the Summer Reading Program.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Library Advisory Commission M. Watts adjourned the meeting at 5:07 p.m.

The next Commission meeting will be Tuesday, February 10, 2015.


M. Watts