

**MEETING MINUTES
ZULA B WYLIE LIBRARY BOARD
THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2023
6:30 P.M.**

Zula B Wylie Library Board Members Present:

Christine Benson, Dennis Brock, Lee Ruth Bryant, Dr. Deborah Cawthon, Elaine Cook, Philip Edwards, Cheryl Gee, Nedin Glover, Rebecca Guevara, Jenny Martinez, Mary Sadousky, and Darien Shelton.

Zula B Wylie Library Board Members Absent:

JR Hickman, Jazmine James, Joyce Kinney, Jacquelyn Moore.

City Staff Present:

Zula B Wylie Library Director, Aranda Bell, and Executive Assistant, Rachel Burke.

Others present:

Library Systems Supervisor, Winfred Thompkins, and Technology Customer Service Representative, Diana Florenzano.

I. Call the Meeting to Order:

Library Board President, Mary Sadousky, called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

II. Citizen Forum:

There was no Citizen's Forum at this meeting.

III. Approval of Minutes for July Meeting:

Elaine Cook made the motion to approve minutes from July's meeting; Cheryl Gee seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.

IV. Board Elections

- For Board President, Elaine Cook nominated Mary Sadousky. No other nominations for Board President were made. Mary Sadousky was voted unanimously into the position.
- For Board Vice President, Christine Bendon and Rebecca Guevara were nominated. The voting members elected Christine Benson into the position of Vice President.

V. Receive Update on Premier Library, Signature Park, and Trail Project:

- Aranda Bell informed the board that the new library is 65% complete and the signature park complete. The project is still operating with the distinction of no major accidents.
- Ms. Bell shared that the library site walk will continue every first Wednesday at 3:30pm, along with the Parks Board. She also reminded everyone to wear cool clothing and closed-toed shoes. Those who plan to attend should meet in the lobby of the government center.

Zula B. Wylie Public Library

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- Ms. Bell discussed the collection of the future library, our physical collection is still frequently circulated and will remain a large part of the total collection. Digital collection will be increased as well.

VI. Advisory Board Topics

- Ms. Bell informed the Board that the topics of Kulture City and Family Place will have to be postponed. Youth Services Supervisor, Teri Nelson, is ill and unable to present to the board tonight.

- Winfred Thompkins and Diana Florenzano presented about the technology department. Reviewed the take-home technology and the different classes offered to patrons. Mr. Thompkins asked the Board to give suggestions on what streaming devices to add to our current offerings. Any suggestions can be sent to the Board Liaison, Rachel Burke.

VI. Friends Report:

- Elaine Cook gave the Friends of the Library report to the Library Board. Mrs. Cook stated that the friends are preparing for North Texas Giving Day. Marketing materials will be sent out near the beginning of September.

- Mrs. Cook mentioned that the friends are also planning other fundraising events, the next event being a garage sale. The garage sale is scheduled for October 21st, and any questions should be sent to Mary Sadousky (Garage Sale Committee Chair). The friends are also planning a gala that will take place in the new library in the Summer of 2024. If anyone from the board would like to assist the Friends, please reach out to Dr. Cawthon (Gala Committee Chair).

VII. Adjourn:

Christine Benson made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Philip Edwards seconded. Aranda Bell adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Mary Sadousky, Zula B. Wylie Library President:

Signature: Christine Benson Date: 09/28 2023

Rachel Burke, Zula B. Wylie Library Administrative Assistant

Signature: R Burke Date: _____ 2023

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