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MEETING MINUTES
TRAPHENE HICKMAN LIBRARY BOARD
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22ND, 2024
6:30 P.M.

Zula B Wylie Library Board Members Present:

Christine Benson, Lee Ruth Bryant, Dr. Deborah Cawthon, Elaine Cook, Cheryl Gee, Nedin Glover, Edith Gracia, Rebeca Guevara, Jenny Martinez, Alzena McGrew, Jacquelyn Moore, and Mary Sadousky.

Zula B Wylie Library Board Members Absent:

George Bellomusto, Joyce Kinney, Darien Shelton, and Edgar Williams.

City Staff Present:

Traphene Hickman Library Director, Aranda Bell, Board Liaison, Rachel Burke, and Teen Librarian, Chelsey Randel.

Others present:

Friends President, Beverly Powell, and Desoto resident, Malcom Davis.

I. Call the Meeting to Order:

Library President, Mary Sadousky, called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

II. Citizen Forum:

The board welcomed Malcolm Davis to the meeting. Mr. Davis informed the board that he is an attorney and small business owner, and as such he comes to the library often for a "change of scenery" in his workday. Mr. Davis expressed his gratitude for the Traphene Hickman Library, specifically the welcoming open concept and the variety of seating and spaces.

III. Approval of Minutes for Previous Meeting:

Jacqueline Moore made the motion to approve minutes from the July meeting. Elaine Cook seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.

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

- Library Director, Aranda Bell, shared statistics for the first four months of the library. The library has had over 81,000 visitors so far.
- Ms. Bell thanked the members of the board for supporting the staff during the very active first months of the library. There have been dozens of programs and private events, and the team is keeping busy.
- Ms. Bell announced that she'd be posting an open position for PT Library Secretary. This new person will act as admin to the library and board liaison
- Ms. Bell also shared that HVAC is still being worked on throughout the library, as well as parking/wayfinding signage.



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V. Advisory Board Topics

- No advisory topics at this time.

VI. Friends Report:

- Friends President, Beverly Powell, announced that the group has streamlined their online presence. You can now search for either "Zula B Wylie", "Traphene Hickman", or "Cedar Hill Library" and be able to find the friends.
- The Friends are working on multiple grants on the library's behalf. One is being submitted this evening.
- Ms. Powell also expressed that the friends are in need of new members and especially new officers.

VII. Adjourn:

Mary Sadousky made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 pm.

Mary Sadousky, Traphene Hickman Library President:

Signature: _____ Date: _____ 2024

Rachel Burke, Traphene Hickman Library Creative Events Coordinator

Signature: _____ Date: _____ 2024



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