

**MEETING OF THE
ZULA B. WYLIE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
MINUTES
August 22, 2019**

The Zula B. Wylie Public Library Board met Thursday, August 22, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room at the Zula B. Wylie Public Library, 225 Cedar Street, Cedar Hill, Texas.

Library Board Members Present: President Christine Benson, Dennis Brock, Lee Ruth Bryant, Elaine Cook, Latasha Cummings, Jackie Moore, Mary Sadousky, and ex-officio members Lisa Cerovsky, Jazmine James, Janette Mehl, and Kenneth Prettol.

Library Board Members Absent: Traphene Hickman and Mary White.

Library Staff Present: Manager of Library Services Aranda Bell and Administrative Secretary Karen Stanfill.

Guest Present: Chief of Police Ely Reyes.

I. Call the meeting to order.

The meeting was called to order by Board President Christine Benson at 7:05 p.m.

II. Approve minutes from July 8, 2019 meeting.

Mary Sadousky moved to accept the minutes with a second by Elaine Cook. All approved the motion. It was noted that the June minutes were approved at the July meeting.

III. Citizens Forum.

No citizens spoke at Citizens Forum.

IV. Security Presentation by chief Ely Reyes.

Chief Reyes discussed the upcoming C.R.A.S.E. training with the board, a 3-hour training at the library on September 21 at 10 am. This is the Civilian Response to an Active Shooter Event. He encouraged the board to attend. This is open to the public.

He also discussed the Be Smart program that he will be presenting to the school district PTAs –

- Secure your firearms.
- Model good behaviors.
- Ask about the presence of firearms.
- Recognize the signs of mental illness, suicide, and depression.
- Tell your friends to Be Smart.

Ms. Bell informed the board that the PACT unit is analyzing our security at the library and will be making recommendations. She noted that our security cameras have been installed and are now live.

V. Status Report on Library Operations.

- **Review of Programs and Statistics for July 2019**

Ms. Bell commented on our wonderful summer and thanked the board for their support. The library posted good, steady numbers through July. Juneteenth was especially successful, thanks to lots of support from our Friends and board. Other big events included the Taste of Cedar Hill, the Site Reveal for the new library, and the SRP Finale featuring Hideout Theater.

- **Upcoming Programs**

September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month, and a proclamation for this will be presented on September 10 at the City Council meeting. The board is invited to attend this meeting. We will be creating social media challenges with library cards.

Other noteworthy events include the Family Fun Night on September 9 which will feature the Dallas Zoo presenting their Stem & You program. ESL classes will

begin in September and will go for 6 weeks. Conversational French will begin in October.

In addition, tomorrow is the library's Staff Development Day at the Fairfield Inn.

- **Tween Zone Update**

The Tween Zone area is nearly completed. The signage is up, and the counter and stools are in place. Computers are installed, and the area is becoming popular. We will be adding a few more features such as a small Lego wall.

VI. Library Friends Report

North Texas Giving Day is September 19. There was discussion of re-formatting the flyer and/or postcard so they can be shared electronically.

Finally, the Friends made donations to the American Airlines program *Stand Up to Cancer* to honor Lee Ruth Bryant, Traphene Hickman, and Karen Stanfill.

VII. Adjourn.

Jackie Moore moved to adjourn at 8:16 pm, second by Elaine Cook. Motion was approved by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Stanfill, Administrative Secretary

Christine Benson, Library Board President

ZULA B. WYLIE PUBLIC LIBRARY 2019-2020 BOARD ATTENDANCE

Member		AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL
	Term Expires												
Benson, Christine	2020	P											
Brock, Dennis	2021	P											
Bryant, Lee Ruth	2021	P											
Cook, Elaine	2021	P											
Cummings, Latasha	2020	P											
Hickman, Traphene	2020	A											
Moore, Jackie	2020	P											
Sadousky, Mary	2021	P											
White, Mary	2020	A											
Cerovsky, Lisa (ex officio)	2020	P											
James, Jazmine (ex officio)	2020	P											
Mehl, Janette (ex officio)	2020	P											
Prettol, Kenneth (ex officio)	2020	P											