

Library Advisory Board

A meeting of the Library Advisory Board was held on Wednesday October 16, 2019 at 5:15 p.m. at the Nancy Carol Roberts Memorial Library, 100 Martin Luther King, Jr. Pkwy., Brenham, Texas.

Advisory Board Members present:

Keith Herring, Marshia Foster, Lu Hollander, Renee Mueller, Sabrina Roberts, Janie Mehrens, and Lillian Marshall

Advisory Board Members absent:

Jamey Johnson and Christy Van Dyke

City staff present:

Carolyn Miller, Andria Heiges and Kacey Weiss

Others present

None

- 1. Call Meeting to Order
- 2. Citizen and Visitor Comments
- 3. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Approval of the Minutes from the August 21, 2019 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Janie Mehrens and seconded by Lu Hollander to approve the Minutes from the August 21, 2019 regular meeting as corrected.

Chairperson Herring called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Chair Keith Herring Yes Board Member Marshia Foster Yes Board Member Jamey Johnson Absent Board Member Lu Hollander Yes Board Member Christy Van Dyke Absent Board Member Renee Mueller Yes Board Member Sabrina Roberts Yes Board Member Janie Mehrens Yes Board Member Lillian Marshall Yes

4. Discussion and Presentation of the Library Assistive Technology Review

Librarian Andria Heiges presented this item. Heiges stated that library staff would be exploring options for assistive or adaptative technology to better assist patrons with hearing impairments, mobility issues, visual impairment, and illiterate adults. Heiges mentioned that the library serves many in our community that could benefit from technology tools to improve accessibility. The Library will be doing an evaluation of the current tools at the library as well as a needs assessment, and will apply for the Library Technology Academy Grant from the Texas State Library to help fund the new technology.

5. Discussion and Presentation Relating to a proposed Library Heritage Lab

Librarian Andria Heiges presented this item. Heiges explained that the library was planning an upgrade to the Green Screen Media room, such as acoustic paneling and lighting to improve sound and video quality of the room. This upgrade is part of the Library's strategic plan to preserve local histories as part of an oral history program. Moving forward NCRML plans to market the space as an interview tool and include recorded histories as part of the collection in a proposed Library Heritage Lab.

6. Administrative Report

Librarian Andria Heiges provide the library report for the last three months. In addition, Heiges provided the following on the upcoming November/December 2019 programming at the Library.

- > The Dibley Seymour Sculpture Reception
- Genealogy Programming
- > Children Programming
- > Teen Programs
- Adult Computer Classes

Meeting adjourned.

Keith Herring

Keith Herring Chair Person

ATTEST:

<u>Andria Heiges</u>

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