



LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting
May 8, 2006 6:30 pm
Menlo Park Library
800 Alma Street
Menlo Park, Ca. 94025

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Freidman called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Friedman, Chair (P), Goyle (A), McDonough (P), Tedrow (P), Traum (P),
Wellner de Veer (P), Zara (P)

STAFF PRESENT:

Susan Holmer, Director of Library Services

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

B. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Report from the revenue source budget sub-committee:
 - No report as yet.
2. A follow up report on the status of the bond measure that was proposed in 2003.
 - Mr. McDonough re-distributed an email from city manager David Boesch dated October 22, 2004 where the possibility of bond funding for library improvements was discussed.
 - There has been no further discussion of this funding approach since then.
3. Status of the posting of all approved minutes on the Library Commission webpage.
 - All approved minutes are now available to the public on the Library Commission webpage.
 - There was additional discussion regarding the use of additional electronic media for communication with the

community.

4. Redevelopment agency.
 - Mrs. Holmer reported her discussion with Arlinda Hinck, head of the local Redevelopment Agency, regarding the potential use of agency funds to improve library service in the Belle Haven neighborhood.
 - A discussion followed on how best to do an assessment of needs for library services in Belle Haven. An article from the San Jose Mercury News of a grassroots effort in a similar neighborhood in San Jose was also discussed.
 - Mrs. Holmer was asked to invite Mrs. Fagerholm, librarian for the Belle Haven branch, to the next Commission meeting to share her knowledge of the community.
 - Talking with the Las Pulgas committee was discussed as another avenue for finding out the needs for library service in Belle Haven.
5. Commissioner Reports:
 - Foundation:
 - i. Currently planning a donor event at the library for May.
 - Friends:
 - i. No report.
 - PLS Advisory Board:
 - i. No report.

C. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Commission minutes:
 1. Upon approval of corrections a motion to approve the April 10, 2006 minutes as corrected was duly made, seconded and unanimously approved. .
2. Staff communications:
 - Mrs. Holmer was asked to check on commission term expirations of the current commissioners.

D. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50 p.m.

Next regular meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday, June 12, 2006 at the Menlo Park Library main branch.

Respectfully submitted,
Anna Zara, Secretary to the Library Commission