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CITY OF DENTON
DENTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
Emily Fowler Central Library – August 14, 2023

After determining that a quorum was present, the Denton Public Library Board convened on Monday, August 14, at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the Emily Fowler Central Library at 502 Oakland St., Denton, Texas. Chair Ling Jeng, and Members Jean Greenlaw, Cleopatra Birckbichler, Sandy Swan, Jamie Taylor, and Dallas Guill were in attendance.

PRESENT: Ling Jeng, Jean Greenlaw, Cleopatra Birckbichler, Sandy Swan, Jamie Taylor, and Dallas Guill
ABSENT: Laura Cantu
STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Bekker, Cynthia Carter
GUESTS:

1. PRESENTATION FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None.

2. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

A. LB23-041 Consider approval of the minutes of July 10, 2023.

The Board accepted and approved minutes of the July 10, 2023, meeting. Sandy Swan motioned for approval, Dallas Guill seconded, all in favor.

B. LB23-044 The Board received an informational report regarding the Friends of the Denton Public Libraries.

- The Executive Board met Thursday, July 13, 2023. The Executive Board received a nomination and voted for new Executive Board member Corrie Pelc to fill the Communication Officer position. The Board also voted to approve Eva Poole as a new Board member and Treasurer.

- The Director of Libraries provided a summary of 2023 Friends funded projects, noting that all the projects have been completed or are in the final receiving process. She also shared that Outreach Librarian Haley Phillips will be at the October Executive Board meeting to discuss next steps for the Friends participating in a book drop off project. The project was approved by the Friends Executive Board in 2022.

- The Executive Board discussed plans for the August 12 Big Book Sale and steps to participate in North Texas Giving Day on September 21, 2023.

included a recommendation for the South Branch Library project to be included as originally proposed by staff, to move South Branch Library and build a new 40,000 sq. ft. facility with complete funding. After discussion, South Branch Library proposal was approved by City Council (6-1) to move the library and build a new 40,000 sq. ft. facility with the funding needed to complete the project as originally proposed.

2023 Strategic Plan Action Item Updates - The Library Strategic Plan dashboard has been updated. The updated dashboard with project status and information is online: https://performance.envisio.com/dashboard/Library_Strategic_Plan. The link is also available on the library catalog website, under the "Mission" link.

3. CONCLUDING ITEMS

The Meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Ling Jeng, Chair

Cynthia Carter, Administrative Assistant
City of Denton, TX

Minutes approved on: 9/11/2023