



Library Board Minutes of the September 25th, 2014 Meeting

- I. The regular meeting at the Main Library was called to order by Joyce Taylor at approximately 3:00 pm
- II. Board Members present: Joyce Taylor, Dave Browning, Harriet Young and Joanne Parkes Board Members excused: Ruth Garrison, Karla Brewster and Lena Fowler
Library staff present: Heidi Holland and Jan Robison
- III. Public Participation: NAU Journalism students observing a City Board meeting.
- IV. The minutes of the August 28th meeting were approved as presented.
- V. Library Director's report: 1) Heidi reviewed the email sent by the City Facilities Superintendent regarding the Library metal roof plan and schedule. 2) Molly Sadler – Youth Services Supervisor provided an update to the Board; The Summer Reading Program (SRP) was completed with 1000 kids participating and 79 programs with over 2000 children attending. A very busy summer. We had 100 kids participating in LEGO this week and at *Busy Fingers* 51 attended. We partnered with Festival of Science by taking our current programs and adding a science element. For example, *Factology Friday* we have a science theme and experiment. *Factology Friday* is changing to *Thursday Thinkers* where we showcase a nonfiction theme and do a PowerPoint presentation. We have the nonfiction books displayed next to me and it includes an experiment, craft or game. I am working with a \$15K *I-story* grant the Library received. Storytime is with iPads, equipping both children and parents with the device. We are demonstrating how Literacy is supported with digital technology. Another partnership is with FUSD. In that collaboration we are using a toy called *Sphero Robotic Ball* which has many apps and allows you move the ball around in many games. 3) In *Every Child Ready to Read*, we try to model the behaviors parents can incorporate at home. At the EFCL there is great interest in *ANIME*, so more of those programs are happening at the East Branch. At the Main Library we partner with America Reads and Liz Taylor. Liz has been doing a Saturday Workshop. We do partner with Childcare programs and have enrichment segments, we tour any group that calls and we get them library cards. The PALSmobile goes into classrooms instilling literacy skills, modeling and allowing kids to check out books. Our PALSmobile Librarian talks to teachers and provides resources. We have other programs where we just take books in and little kids light up. *Born to Read*, we used to partner with hospital but the director left and the program stopped. 4) Heidi passed out Arizona Latina Trailblazers DVD and other take away materials to the Board. These were provided by the Arizona State Library and have been added to our collection.



- VI. Growth needs of the Libraries, Affiliates and Branches– Board member Young asked if we have raised the growth needs of the EFCL with Foundation Board president Nat White. Foundation Board member White wants to champion the cause. Heidi is in conversation with CCC and their response has been they will keep us in mind if they decide to vacate classrooms adjacent to the library space.

- VII. Informational Items from Board Members –Board member Young reported that a new film by Anita Hill on the Clarence Thomas litigation will be shown at Cline Library on October 20th. Admission is free. Board Member Parkes provided websites www.mathisfun.com and www.khanacademy.com and thought they could be useful educational sites to be added to our learning databases.

- VIII. Agenda item for next meeting – Kevin Burke would like to come and speak to the board about the street propositions on the ballot.

- IX. Public Participation – NAU students Emma and Kristen said they had learned a lot.

- X. The next Library Board meeting will be October 23rd^{at} 3pm.

- XI. Meeting adjourned at 4:06pm.