

MINUTES OF THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

December 11, 2008 ~ Paso Robles City Library, 1000 Spring Street, Paso Robles

*President Denise Surber; Vice President Jane Carey;
Doug Bates; Jerome Boxer; Ryan Ward*

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

President Surber called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Don Rader, Administrative Assistant, took roll as follows:

Members present: Bates, Boxer, Carey, Surber, Ward

Absent: None

City Staff: Annie Robb, Director of Library and Recreation Services; Julie Dahlen, City Librarian; Terry Finigan, Staff Assistant II

City Council rep: Councilman Fred Strong

PUBLIC COMMENTS -None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. A motion was made by Member Carey, seconded by Member Ward, to approve the Minutes of the November 13, 2008 meeting. Motion passed. Voice vote: 5 ayes, no dissent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. **Meet the Library Staff**
-Terry Finigan gave an overview of her duties as Staff Assistant II.
3. **Library Closure for Amgen Event**
-The Library will be closed on Thursday February 19, 2009 due to the anticipated large crowd for the Amgen bicycle event.
4. **Review January 2009 Art**
-Wall art and the display case will be done by Staff in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.

COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

-Julie Dahlen discussed with the Board recent administrative decisions, in light of City budget reductions, to close the Library extra days during the Christmas and New Year holidays. Julie also announced that Children's Librarian Kris Bell will return in January 2009 but at 24 hours a week; Reference Librarian Barbara Bilyeu is reducing her hours to 32 per week. The Library has set up a Giving Tree of which interested patrons (continued)

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can purchase books needed by the Library.

-Annie Robb talked about some Staff members reducing their hours. If more Staff hours are reduced the Library may have to reduce the hours of operation. Annie also told the Board about the Can Your Fine campaign, in which patrons can pay off overdue fees by bringing in food items for the Food Bank.

-Councilman Strong told the Board that Ed Steinbeck has been appointed to fill the last Council seat. His term will last two years. The new advisory board liaisons should be picked at the next Council meeting. Councilman Strong also noted that the City will be losing money from the state for road repair and public transportation, and that during these tough fiscal times the City is looking to consolidate/combine programs and duties.

UNSCHEDULED MATTERS

-None

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 10:00 a.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Library Board of Trustees on Thursday, January 8th, 2009, 9:00 a.m. in the Story Hour Room of the Paso Robles City Library, 1000 Spring St., Paso Robles.

These minutes were approved by the Library Board of Trustees at their January 8, 2009 meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Don Rader, Administrative Assistant