

City of Glendale
Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Glendale Public Library, Large Meeting Room
5959 West Brown Street
Glendale Arizona, 85302

Wednesday, January 14, 2015
6:00 p.m.

I. Call to Order – Approximately 6:03PM

Chairperson Aborne brought the meeting to order at approximately 6:03pm. She said Board members Shelly, Fallucca, Sommer, Vice Chairperson Wilson, and Chairperson Aborne were present. Board members Collett and Bolognini were absent.

City staff present was Michael Beck, Chief Librarian, Karen Reed, Library Manager, and Erik Strunk, Director.

II. Approval of Minutes – December 10, 2014 – Chairperson Aborne asked if there were any revisions or corrections to the minutes of December 10, 2014.

Board member Sommer noted at the bottom of page 2, the word “reduced” should read reduction.

Chairperson Aborne noted on page 4, “she” should read Karen Reed where it referred to the city jail.

Vice Chairperson Wilson noted on page 4, “book” should read books.

Chairperson Aborne called for a motion.

Board member Sommer made a motion to approve the December 10, 2014, minutes as corrected. Vice Chairperson Wilson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

III. Business from the Floor – Chairperson Aborne called for any Business from the Floor. There was none.

IV. Chief Librarian and Library Board Introductions – Chairperson Aborne called for this item. Mr. Michael Beck introduced himself and provided background information regarding the positions he has held

and the different cities and states he has been employed. Each board member introduced herself and provided some background information. For information purposes only. No action was taken.

v. Library Board Membership – Teen Vacancies

Chairperson Aborne introduced this item. Mr. Beck said a new teen member would be sworn in at the Council meeting of January 27, 2015.

Board member Fallucca suggested the Board create a flyer for posting at various schools announcing that the Board is looking for an additional teen member. The Board agreed this would be a good idea.

Chairperson Aborne expressed her displeasure that she was not notified about a teen member being appointed. She found out by browsing the city's website. She sends a welcome email to all new board members and she felt was not kept informed on what had taken place.

Chairperson Aborne sent a letter to The Glendale Star and read it for the Board. It explained how to access the City's website and apply for a voluntary Board member position.

Vice Chairperson Wilson said she would like to send an email to Troop 365 from Glendale. She said volunteering on the Board might be necessary to fulfill one of their merit badge requirements. The Chairperson agreed.

Ms. Reed stated she could announce the open position to the Teen Library Advisory Board.

vi. Chief Librarian Update – Chairperson Aborne called for Updates. Mr. Beck showed a brief PowerPoint presentation showing his belief of the five pillars of library service, which included 1) technology savvy staff, 2) state of the art facilities – Mr. Beck explained that the Main Library as well as Velma Teague would be receiving new carpet, 3) innovative collections – Mr. Beck spoke about Axis 360 and Zinio, 4) programming – Mr. Beck said one of his main interests is programming such as 3D printing, Makerspace, creative spaces for small business owners which included Photoshop, web design, audio video production, just to mention a few, and 5) targeted outreach – Mr. Beck said he is a proponent of outreach and advocating for libraries. He concluded by

stating he is looking forward to working with the Library Advisory Board.

Ms. Reed stated on Saturday, January 17, from 10am to 4:30pm the 19th Annual Songwriters' Festival would be held. This Festival showcases songwriters, performances, and workshops. This is an opportunity to interact and enjoy all the facets of songwriting. The Friends of the Library will be in attendance with a fundraiser. Also, a catering truck will be selling pizza.

Mr. Beck asked the Board for suggestions regarding items for future agendas. Board member Sommer said she is interested in learning how exactly libraries operate.

Vice Chairperson Wilson said if the Board is made aware of specific concerns they can advocate for on behalf of the library, they are willing to do so.

Chairperson Aborne said the public should be made aware of the VIP card available. Ms. Reed said the Westgate Library VIP card has expired as of December 31, 2014.

Ms. Reed explained if the Board is interested in specific information, to please advise her. The Board said they would like information or a presentation on the outreach that takes place.

Chairperson Aborne asked when Snapshot Day would take place. Ms. Reed believed it is in April.

Chairperson Aborne asked if by February staff could provide the Board with information with upcoming library events.

Board member Fallucca said each year a speech is prepared for the Proclamation for Library Week; however, it doesn't appear to ever have been read at a public meeting. Library Week takes place in April. Several Board members expressed that in prior years they were not allowed the opportunity to speak at the City Council meeting.

VII. Library Advisory Board Comments and Suggestions –
Chairperson Aborne called for Comments and Suggestions from the Board. The Board members welcomed Mr. Beck. For information only.

VIII. **Adjournment** – Chairperson Aborne called for a motion. Vice Chairperson Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Board member Shelly seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

The next regular meeting will be in the Large Meeting Room at the **Main Library** on **Wednesday, February 11, 2015** at **6 PM**.