MINUTES OF THE LIBRARY BOARD
May 17, 2017

Board Members Present:

Rosario Klier, Chairperson
Jennifer Linde
Gail Robison
Carolyn Richard

Board Members Absent:

Kathaleen Rodriguez
Jean Ferguson
Cheryl Moore

City Staff Present:

Carolyn Booker, Director of Library Services
Melinda Galler, Assistant City Manager

Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present (Agenda Item 1)

The scheduled session of the Library Board was called to order by Rosario Klier at 7:02 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, in the Crawford Meeting Room at the Lewisville Public Library located at 1197 W. Main Street, Lewisville, TX 75067. A quorum was present.

Approval of Library Board Minutes of March 29, 2017, Regular Meeting (Agenda Item 2)

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Board member Jennifer Linde and seconded by Board member Gail Robison, the Board voted four (4) “ayes” and no (0) “nays” to approve the minutes of the Library Board March 29, 2017 regular meeting.

Visitors/Citizens Forum (Agenda Item 3)
Members of the Lewisville Secular Homeschoolers Group came to represent area homeschoolers and to let the board know about their needs for programming. They asked for daytime programs for school aged kids. Their group currently meets on Tuesdays, but not in the Library. They brought brochures from the Denton Public Library to show daytime programming offered there. They mentioned that some libraries include a page with online resources on their website.

**Discussion of Homeschool and School Age Programs, including a report on the upcoming Summer Reading Program**

(Agent Item 4)

The Board held a follow up discussion to the March 2017 visitors forum, where two visitors asked the Library to consider offering programs for homeschoolers during the day. The Library Director suggested keeping the lines of communication open. The Library is asking for a Makerspace in FY 2018, which would be very beneficial to homeschoolers as well as many other demographics. Library programming is scheduled for the greatest impact in the community and staffing is lean, making it difficult to repeat programs at different times of day for the same ages. Homeschooler groups are encouraged to use the Library’s two meeting rooms, which can be reserved for meetings. Library staff would be happy to provide tours as well as give presentations on Library resources. STEM kits are available for checkout in the youth services department, which include resources, experiments and manipulatives to learn STEM topics as a family. The Library would like to serve homeschoolers in the community and would like to do this in an inclusive way that also includes schoolchildren.

The upcoming Summer Reading Program for youth, teens and adults was presented. Reading incentives, programming and the theme of “Build a Better World” were discussed.

**Discussion of Library Strengths and Opportunities**

(Agent Item 5)

The Board collaborated on the following questions:
What is it that makes you proud of the Lewisville Public Library? What are the greatest assets of the Lewisville Public Library? What opportunities should the Library focus on? What new skills or resources does the Library need to move forward?

Asset: Centrally located since there is only one building.
Beautiful building and great size.
New chairs and stools. Laptops. Really adds to our offering.
Library reaches out to teenagers. People tend to write this age group off. Tap into their energy and creativity.
Grandson participated in teen programs for college preparation.
Equalizing forces in society. Computers, laptops.
Bi-lingual librarian.
ESL.
Drive up window.

Opportunity:
Focus on getting lots of books
Reference books could be updated
Voter Education - Civic Information. For residents who want to vote, but don't know about the issues.

Reports: Staffing Update, Calendar of Events; March and April 2017 Service Statistics; Friends of the Library (Agenda Item 6)

Staffing Update. A new Full Time Library Technician started in the Technical Services Department after the retirement of a 25-year tenured employee.

The Calendar of Events was presented.

March and April 2017 Service Statistics were presented.

The Friends of the Library are actively seeking new volunteers and volunteers who might be interested in serving on the board.

Adjournment (Agenda Item 9)

MOTION: Upon a motion made by Board member Carolyn Richard and seconded by Board member Rosario Klier the Board voted four (4) “ayes” and no (0) “nays” to adjourn the meeting of the Library Board at 8:20 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17, 2017. The motion carried.

APPROVED:

[Signature]
Rosario Klier, CHAIRPERSON
LIBRARY BOARD
PREPARED BY:

Carolyn Booker,
Director of Library Services, City of Lewisville