



LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
MAIN LIBRARY - ADMIN CONFERENCE ROOM, 901 CONOVER DR.
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2022 AT 6:00 PM

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

AGENDA ITEMS

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1. Minutes of the May 23, 2022, Library Board Meeting
2. Main Library Lobby Remodel
3. Process staff introduction
4. Library Card sign up month
5. Summer Reading Club round up
6. Fall Programs highlights
7. Supervisor of People introduction
8. Summer circulation report

CITIZEN COMMENTS

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ADJOURNMENT

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Certification

In accordance with Chapter 551, Subchapter C of the Government Code, V.T.C.A, the Library Board agenda was prepared and posted September 23, 2022.



Nelly Macreading, Library Executive Assistant



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 09/26/2022

REQUESTER: Nelly Macreading

PRESENTER: Peter Sime, Library Director

TITLE: Minutes of the May 23, 2022, Library Board Meeting

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve



LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
MAIN LIBRARY - ADMIN CONFERENCE ROOM, 901 CONOVER DR.
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022 AT 6:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Daniel Smith called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

PRESENT

Daniel Smith, Chair

Karen Eddlemon

Deinna Mims Johnson

Vanna Ngo

Patricia Smith

ABSENT

Ann Chilton

Dana Jackson

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1. Minutes of the March 28, 2022, Library Board Meeting

Daniel Smith made a motion for approval of the March 28th, 2022 minutes and Karen Eddlemon seconded the motion. The motion passed.

2. New Library Director

Peter Sime, Library Director, introduced himself as he is the new library director for the Grand Prairie Libraries. Sime has been employed in the Grand Prairie Library Department since October 2000. Sime started out as a part-time library aide where he worked in customer service and chose books for the library's collection. He received his Masters in Library Science in 2012. Later in 2014, Sime was promoted to Library Services Supervisor.

3. Thank you Event for Amy Sprinkles,

Peter Sime, Library Director informed the board of the Thank You event the Grand Prairie Libraries will be holding, to thank former Library Director, Amy Sprinkles for her years of service with the library. It will be held on May 27th, 2022 at the Grand Prairie Memorial Library from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

4. Outreach Efforts

Trini Vasquez, Outreach Coordinator was unable to attend. This item was skipped and will be added to the next library board agenda.

5. Summer Reading Programs

Ashley Wyche, Children's Outreach and Special Projects Librarian informed the library board on the upcoming 2022 Summer Reading Programs. This years theme will be Oceans of Possibilities. Summer Reading Kick off will be on June 4th, at the Grand Prairie Memorial Library from 10:00-12:00pm. There will be many activities for the children, cosplayers, face painting and etc. Wyche explained that there will be special Monday programs throughout summer, the programs will rotate in-person throughout all 3 branches. Starting at the Tony Shotwell Library at 10:30am, then the Main Library at 1:00pm and Betty Warmack Library at 3:30pm. These programs will consist of circus clowns, a bubble magician and so much more. Summer reading logs will start being accepted on June 1st at any Grand Prairie Library. Summer reading logs require 5 hours of reading to be completed. Children under the age of 13, will be eligible to receive one prize. Teens and adults will be put into a drawing for a major prize at the end of summer.

6. Spanish Programs

Isela Mena, Teen and Spanish Programmer was unable to attend. This item was skipped and will be added to the next library board agenda.

7. Diversity Audit Results

Jennifer Douglas, Library Services Supervisor of Processing informed the library board on the Diversity results that is within the library's collection. The Diversity audit is to examine who is being represented in the library collection. Douglas informed that the only collection that was looked through was the Adult Fiction collection then, staff only pulled the first 2 books from every shelf. In result, the items that were observed make up about 10% of the items in the library collection. Douglas explained that they were looking at the authors gender, sexual orientation, racial identity, faith other than Christianity and citizenship-immigrant or undocumented immigrant status. For the characters that were represented in these books, they were looking for gender sexual orientation, racial identity, faith besides Christianity, physical or cognitive diversity, economic status other than middle or upper class and citizenship - Immigrant/undocumented immigrant. To retrieve this information, the processing staff agreed to use the book jacket, authors website, Wikipedia, Goodreads and personal knowledge.

In results, .27% of the sample books were written by people who identify as something other than cisgender, 1.65% were written by authors whose sexual orientation is other than heterosexual, 8.69% were written by people of color, 2% of the authors faith identify as something other than Christianity and 2.75% of authors immigrated from one country to

another. Additionally, .07% of sample books examined with main characters who've identified as something other than cis gender, 1.74 had main characters whose sexual orientation was something other than heterosexual, 12.78% had people of color as the main character, 2.65% of main characters had practice another religion other than Christianity, 4.21% of main character have some sort of physical or cognitive challenge, 2.01% of the characters are of a lower socioeconomic status and 1.34% of these characters were immigrants. Douglas explained that the Grand Prairie Library definitely have some work to do in improving the diversity in the collection. Using the social media application TikTok, the processing team will use that as a recommendation for future additions to the collection.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

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There were no citizen comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:42pm.

The forgoing minutes were approved at the _____ Library Board Meeting.

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Cathy Le, Executive Assistant



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 09/26/2022
REQUESTER: Nelly Macreading
PRESENTER: Peter Sime, Library Director
TITLE: Main Library Lobby Remodel
RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 09/26/2022

REQUESTER: Nelly Macreading

PRESENTER: Jennifer Douglas, Supervisor of Process

TITLE: Process staff introduction

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
COMMUNICATION**

MEETING DATE: 09/26/2022

REQUESTER: Nelly Macreading

PRESENTER: Jennifer Douglas, Supervisor of Process

TITLE: Library Card sign up month

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
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MEETING DATE: 09/26/2022

REQUESTER: Nelly Macreading

PRESENTER: Caitlin Milligan, Supervisor of Programs

TITLE: Summer Reading Club round up

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
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MEETING DATE: 09/26/2022

REQUESTER: Nelly Macreading

PRESENTER: Caitlin Milligan, Supervisor of Programs

TITLE: Fall Programs highlights

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
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MEETING DATE: 09/26/2022

REQUESTER: Nelly Macreading

PRESENTER: Mike Broussard, Supervisor of People

TITLE: Supervisor of People introduction

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None



**CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE
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MEETING DATE: 09/26/2022

REQUESTER: Nelly Macreading

PRESENTER: Mike Broussard, Supervosr of People

TITLE: Summer circulation report

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None
