

**ALLEN PARK LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 4, 2009**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jack Rourke at 5:00 pm. We opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

**MEETING ATTENDANCE**

Present: Commissioners: Chairperson Jack Rourke and members Terri Hagen, Maria Lalli, Patricia Nowak, new commissioners Susan White and George Perdue and Librarians Sandi Blakney and Karen Smith. Absent: Miriam Winkler.  
Also, special guest: Mayor Gary Burtka

**Agenda**

The agenda was approved as presented. Patricia/Terri carried

**Prior Minutes**

The minutes of the February 11, 2009 meeting were approved as amended and will be released to City web-site. Patti/Jack. Carried.

**Librarian's Report**

- Circulation was up 21% over February 2008. Overall, circulation is up 19% over 2008. Allen Park cards accounted for 15% of Melvindale circulation in February so we were liable for 5% of their February billing.
- Bingo for books was held Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Teen Advisory Board Meeting
- Monthly Tween Night was held Wednesday, February 4.
- Family Movie night featuring Parent Trap on February 11.
- The winter session had various storytime programs
- The book discussion group met to discuss Bootlegger's Daughter by Margaret Maron on February 17<sup>th</sup>.
- The Saturday Movie afternoon featured Cat Ballou on February 28<sup>th</sup>.
- The teen writing group met weekly
- D & D – 12 teens attend this weekly adventure.

**Standing Committee Reports**

Children and Young Adult and Adult

- All programs were well attended.

**Budget/Finance**

- Spreadsheets representing the County Budget through February 2009 and the City Budget through December 2008 were presented.

**Technology**

- The old workstations are not yet available for sale (to patrons) or donations to other non-profits.
- We have not yet received an official quote for the cost to be able to use the City's server for backup of non-library automation files.
- The receipt printers have been a huge hit.

**Correspondence**

- None

**Old Business**

- Inclement weather policy was discussed and changed to a procedure of no closing unless approved by the Mayor, City Administrator or City Council. One of the Wayne County employees must be present for the Library to be open.

**New Business**

- Susan White asked that the commission have available to them the 'binder' with future plans and projections for the next commission meeting.
- Mayor Burtka offered the option of digitally taping programs at the library for viewing on the City cable channel.

**Public Comments:**

-None.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 pm. Maria/Patty. Carried.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 at 5:00 pm.

Terri Hagen  
Commissioner.