

**ALLEN PARK LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION  
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
December 3, 2008**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jack Rourke at 5:02 p. m. We opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MEETING ATTENDANCE**

Present: Commissioners: Chairperson Jack Rourke, and members Terri Hagen and Miriam Winkler; and Librarians Sandi Blakney and Karen Smith. Absent excused: Commissioners Maria Lalli and Patricia Nowak, excused.

**AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as presented. Miriam/Terri. Carried.

**PRIOR MINUTES**

The minutes of the November 5, 2008 meeting were approved as amended and will be released to the City web-site. Terri/Miriam. Carried.

**LIBRARIAN'S REPORT**

- Circulation was up about 11% over November 2007. Overall, our circulation is up 5% over the first eleven months of 2008. Allen Park cards accounted for 13% of Melvindale circulation in November. Thus we were liable for 3% of their November Wayne County billing.
- Book Bingo was held on November 3rd.
- An adult craft night was held November 4th.
- D & D averaged 12 teens present for a weekly adventure.
- On November 18<sup>th</sup> the Book Discussion Group talked about *Family Honor* by Robert B. Parker.
- Our monthly Tween Night was held November 5th.
- The second fall session of stoytime programs (Toddler, Preschool, After-School Sessions K, I and II, and the Family Reading Program) began the week of November 10th.
- The Cold War in Film series continued with *Alice's Restaurant* on November 11<sup>th</sup>.
- Family Movie Night featured *Fly Away Home* on November 12.
- A Harvest Party was held November 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The Teen Advisory Board and the Teen Writing Group continue to meet.
- The Adult Internet classes continue.
- September additions to our collection included 243 adult fiction and non-fiction volumes, and the juvenile collection was increased by a total of 499 volumes. Books on Tape/CD and Videos/DVD's were also added.
- The internet was used by 1,090 patrons

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### Children and Young Adult and Adult

- The many programs as delineated above were well attended.

### Budget/Finance

- Spreadsheets representing the County Budget through September 2008 and the City Budget through October 2008 were presented.

### Technology

- The word processing stations have not been completed as TLN awaits drivers for our new network printer.
- The internet computers have not worked since updating software on November 21. We are working with TLN to resolve the issues.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

- None

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- None

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m. Miriam/Terri. Carried.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 7, 2009 at 5 p.m.

Miriam Winkler  
Secretary