

**ALLEN PARK LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION**  
**COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 2, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. by Chairperson Jack Rourke. We opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MEETING ATTENDANCE**

Present: Commissioners Jack Rourke, Patricia Nowak and Miriam Winkler; and Librarians Sandi Blakney and Karen Smith. Absent: Commissioners Ron Iris and Paula Marsh, a new Commissioner who has been unable to attend a meeting since her December/January appointment.

**AGENDA**

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

**PRIOR MINUTES**

The minutes of the March 12, 2008 meeting were approved as presented and will be released to the City web-site.

**LIBRARIAN'S REPORT**

- Circulation was again down a bit. Other area libraries are experiencing the same downturn. Our snow days and computer issues probably contributed to this phenomenon.
- A total of 33 programs for teens, tweens, YA's, and adults, and storytimes for many age ranges were held with strong attendance.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Children and Young Adult

- The many programs were well attended.

Budget/Finance

- The Revenue and Expenditure Reports for the City of Allen Park through 02/29/08 are the latest we have received.
- Wayne County's financial reports are still current through January, 2008.

Technology

- TLN is continuing to work on our network. Both a fixed filter and a firewall have been installed.
- Network printing continues to be a problem.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- A letter from the National Endowment for the Humanities in response to our request for information about receiving funds from them for proposed expansion was answered re: matching funds. This money must come from third parties, not internal funding; i.e. budget millage money.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Patrons continue to be interested in the plans for the proposed renovation and construction, asking when ground will be broken.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Donations are being accepted for bricks for the library gardens; the commissioners who were present donated to this cause

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m. Patty/Miriam. Carried.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 14, 2008 at 5 p.m.

Miriam Winkler  
Secretary