

**City of Mesa Library
Advisory Board Meeting**

Date: September 18, 2007
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: City of Mesa Main Library
64 E. 1st Street

Members Present

Oonagh McQuarrie
Doug Gerlach
Kay Henry
Liz Purtell
Cheryl Laflen
Dorothy Shupe
Michael Yates

Staff Present

Heather Wolf
Perla Anderson
Kathy Little

Members Absent

Dilworth Brinton, Jr.

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION
Call to Order	Board chair Doug Gerlach called the meeting of the City of Mesa Library Advisory Board to order at 6:35 p.m. on September 18, 2007.
Approval of Minutes	The June minutes were approved. Board member Cheryl Laflen motioned and board member Liz Purtell followed with a second motion to approve the minutes. All voting unanimously.
Public Comments	There were no public comments.
Welcome and Introduction of Board Members and Library Staff	Liz Purtell is on the board because she has 4 children and wants to have a voice in library matters. Kay Henry is on the board because she enjoys the topics and is still learning a lot. Mike Yates is on the board because he wants to make a difference. Notes that there is usually not much that goes on, but when issues arise, they have a strong impact.

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Dorothy Shupe is a new member and is on the board to help out.

Kathy Little is the MN Branch Coordinator II and is present to give the board an update.

Heather Wolf is the Library Director and is present as the official library representative.

Perla Anderson is the Management Assistant I and is present as the staff liaison to the board.

Oonagh McQuarrie is the new board member and is also present as the YAAC representative. She is from Scotland and likes interacting in the library.

Cheryl Laflen is on her second board term, she is a retired librarian who was involved in the development of the DR branch.

Doug Gerlach is in his 6th year with the board and he has enjoyed his experience with the board.

Director's Report

Heather handed out and discussed the new City organizational chart effective October 1, 2007.

Programming has been improving and according to the June circulation figures, circulation has increased. The Summer Reading Programs had a good impact and staff is feeling confident about bringing more programs to the library.

The library held a "Harry Potter – Night Owl" book release event. 180 people were formally invited due to book holds. However, the library had a turnout of about 325 with only 71 of those attendees leaving with a book. Book sale funds were used for the event.

The new fiscal year brought in the implementation of Fees and Fines. The guest pass fees were implemented on August 1, 2007 and have seen a 12% increase in new library cards for July. Small increases in circulation fines will go into effect on October 1, 2007.

During last year's budget cuts, the library experienced cuts in security coverage. MN has had a series of bomb threats. The situation has been elevated to PD and suspects are being narrowed down. Currently, all staff is evacuated. The incidents have even brought some media coverage.

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	<p>MN will soon have Wireless Internet (WiFi).</p> <p>RFID was approved and is up and running at DR. Staff has been trained to covert items from barcodes to RFID tags.</p> <p>DR's front door will be remodeled to be ADA compliant.</p> <p>Some RM training computer terminals have been moved and converted to public terminals.</p>
YAAC Report	<p>Oonagh McQuarrie is the new YAAC representative on the board. She updated the board on the new open shelving in the youth area. YAAC has been busy doing movie, CD, and book reviews. YAAC has also been discussing the possibility of redoing the reading system.</p>
Main Library Presentation	<p>Staff is reenergized! Many programs and activities are coming up.</p> <p>Information Services has been meeting and planning upcoming events such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cubs baseball in the Spring New teen seating area Art Exhibits and displays <p>There is a 2nd floor redesign committee planning new and exciting changes.</p> <p>The Circulation area is down 5 Pages. Interviews will be held on October 4, 2007.</p> <p>The vending machine at the front entrance has been a huge success.</p> <p>The boardroom has been upgraded with a Field Loop System. This will allow people with a "T" setting on their hearing aids to hear better in the room.</p>
Identify items for future agendas	<p>DR will have its Branch Coordinator speak at the board's next meeting.</p> <p>Sound station proposal from YAAC.</p> <p>Boardmember Jaime Herrera's resignation/replacement as</p>

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vice-chair.

Board would like to have Kari Kent attend one of the upcoming meetings.

Adjournment

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting, all present voting yes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 19, 2007. The meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Library boardroom, 64 E. 1st Street.

Heather Wolf, Library Director