

MINUTES
LOS GATOS LIBRARY BOARD
November 12, 2014

A regular meeting of the Los Gatos Library Board was held on Wednesday, November 12, 2014, 3:00 p.m.

Present: Lyn Dougherty, Rita Baum, Shelley Katz, Tom Atkinson, Kitty King, Franklin Wang, Henry Bankhead, Heidi Murphy, Secretary, CJ McCarthy, Guest, Alex Potts, Guest

Absent: Kevin Potts

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Lyn Dougherty at 3:05 P.M.

Motion to approve September 10, 2014 minutes made by Rita Baum, seconded by Tom Atkinson and approved unanimously.

Town Librarian’s Report – Henry Bankhead & Heidi Murphy

- CLA Presentation – “Rethinking Library Management: Twice as Many Great Ideas” was presented by Henry and Heidi to fellow California librarians
- Future of Libraries Conference – Jennifer Laredo presented to local area librarians on “Reverse Required Reading” & Henry Bankhead presented on “Self-Publishing Partnerships”
- Senior Page Recruitment – Internal Departmental recruitment for new shift leads for the library page group
- Donor Wall Proposal - Working with the Friends of the Library to update the large donor wall to be easier to add through, looking at digital options.
- Holiday Closures – December 24th-28th & December 31-January 2nd
- Statistics –

| Metric | Sept. 2012 – Sept. 2013 | Sept. 2013 – Sept. 2014 | % Difference |
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| In-Person Visits | 353,471 | 395,008 | +12% |
| Virtual Visits via Website | 172,660 | 248,822 | +44% |
| Online Catalog Page Views | 647,729 | 947,430 | +46% |
| Items Circulated | 647,729 | 632,744 | -02% |
| eBooks Borrowed (including downloadable audiobooks) | 12,056 | 17,324 | +44% |
| Children’s Program Attendance | 14,166 | 14,969 | +06% |

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| Teen Attendance | Afterschool | No Data | 18,287 | Anecdotal data shows large increase |
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Poet Laureate – Henry Bankhead

Lyn Dougherty was selected to sit on an ad hoc committee to decide on the process for the Poet Laureate

Occupancy Levels and Library Furniture Needs – Rita Baum

Question as to whether the library had enough seating or could accommodate more seating. Town Librarians think seating is sufficient at present.

No New Business

Report from Friends Meeting – Rita Baum

- Holiday music program with the Fun Times Singers in the Library on Tuesday, December 9th from 6:30-7:30 PM
- A donation of real estate was given to the Friends

No Announcements

Date for next meeting: The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 14, 2015. This will take place in the Library Conference Room at 3:00 P.M.

With no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Murphy