

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Library Advisory Board of the Town of Clarkdale, Held on February 5, 2009 at 900 a.m. in the Clark Memorial Library, Clarkdale, Arizona

A regular meeting of the Library Advisory Board of the Town of Clarkdale was held on February 5, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in the Clark Memorial Library, 39 North Ninth Street, Clarkdale, Arizona.

Members: John Stevenson, Chairperson (absent)
Sue Hill, Vice Chairperson
Winnie Bohall
Elise Rotchford
Margaret Krznarich (absent)
Roberta Peterson
Chris Calderon

Staff: Library Manager Hawken
Town Clerk Bainbridge

CALL TO ORDER – Vice-Chairperson Hill called the meeting to order and noted that Boardmember Krznarich was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT – No comments.

MINUTES – Discussion and consideration of approving the minutes of the regular meeting held on **January 8, 2009**. Boardmember Bohall moved to approve the minutes. Boardmember Peterson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

REPORT – Town Clerk Bainbridge stated that the Town Council met for strategic planning where town departments presented ideas for new ways of doing things in order to reduce expenses. One idea of interest to the Council was about combining the library and parks and recreation into one department called Community Services. There would be fewer books and more computer areas in the space and be used as a community room for classes and volunteer center. There would be a media center for use with children and families and a teen and parent tech area. There would be a small children’s area and a local/Southwest section. There would be outreach to the schools. The idea is that by combining the two we can keep the services. Fifty-five percent of the library expenses are currently funded by the county and forty-five percent by the Town. One question that came up for the council is considering whether Clarkdale wants to be the main recreational source for residents. Otherwise the Town could try to provide services that nearby towns are not offering.

LSTA GRANT APPLICATION –Discussion and consideration of a state Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant for Centennial Experience.

Vice Chairperson Hill stated that Arizona and Clarkdale are both celebrating centennials in 2012. The idea for this grant application is a history book that would show the conditions in the state and area when Clarkdale became a town and have photographs and the history of Clarkdale. It would be a joint application with the Town and the Clarkdale Heritage Center.

Boardmember Rotchford noted she was proposing an LSTA grant application for a children’s program. There was discussion of various aspects of a program, including early literacy, story time, computers, and English as a Second Language for adults and children.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS –

1. LSTA grants.
2. Ice Cream Social

ADJOURNMENT Without objection, Vice Chairperson Hill adjourned the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

APPROVE: _____
Sue Hill, Vice Chairperson

SUBMIT: _____
Charlotte Hawken, Library Manager