

Arts, Culture & Libraries Committee Meeting Record

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Meeting Date: April 15, 2013

Convened: 3:02 p.m.

Adjourned: 3:47 p.m.

Members Present:

Ann Margolin, Chair
Jerry R. Allen
Tennell Atkins
Vonciel Jones Hill

Members Absent:

Delia Jasso

Briefing Presenters

Laura V. Estrada
Board Member
Dallas Summer Musicals

Kate Park
Executive Director
Friends of the Dallas Public Library

Staff Present:

Joey Zapata, Mary Jo Giudice, Maria Munoz-Blanco

Guests Present:

Darrell Jordan, Steve Watson, Gail Plummer, Nancy Natinsky, Tracy Jordan

AGENDA:

1. Approval of March 4, 2013 Minutes

Presenter(s):

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

A motion was made to approve the minutes of March 4, 2013.

Motion made by: Jerry Allen

Motion seconded by: Vonciel Jones Hill

Item passed unanimously:

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed unanimously:

Item failed on a divided vote:

2. Dallas Summer Musicals Initiative: High School Musical Theater Awards

Presenter(s): Laura Estrada

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

This briefing was to spotlight the achievements of high school students and their schools' musical theater programs. Board members from DSM's were present to discuss this initiative.

Committee members expressed their support and the Chair thanked Ms. Estrada for the presentation.

3. **The Big Read Dallas Update**

Presenter(s): Kate Park

Information Only:

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):

This briefing highlighted The Big Read Dallas, which is a community service project designed to immerse Dallas in a shared reading experience, with a specific focus on ninth- and tenth-grade Dallas ISD students. The program, based on a grant awarded to the Friends of the Dallas Public Library by the National Endowment for the Arts, was under way and culminated with a city-wide initiative throughout the entire month of April 2013.

Councilmember Philip T. Kingston
Chair