



City of Coppell, Texas

255 E. Parkway Boulevard
Coppell, Texas
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Minutes Library Board

Thursday, May 14, 2026

6:30 PM

255 E. Parkway Blvd.

2nd Floor Conference Room

Radhika Rajgopal Singh
Chair

Seth L. Phillips
Vice Chair

Manisha N. Pagedar
Board Member

Frank Gasparro
Board Member

Haridas Radhakrishnan
Board Member

Anne Diamond
Board Member

Carla Madrigal
Board Member

Valerie Holguin
Alternate Member

Gunjan Verma
Alternate Member

Greshma Chandrashekar
Youth Advisor

Gia Ajani
Youth Advisor

Notice was hereby given that the Library Advisory Board of the City of Coppell, Texas, met in the 2nd Floor Conference Room at 6:30 p.m. at 255 E. Parkway Boulevard.

As authorized by Section 551.127, of the Texas Government Code, one or more appointed board member or employees may have attend this meeting remotely using videoconferencing technology.

The purpose of this meeting was to consider the following items:

Regular Session (Open to the Public)

1. Call To Order

Chair Singh called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Members Present: Radhika Rajgopal Singh, Anne Diamond, Haridas Radhakrishnan, Manisha N. Pagedar, Carla Madrigal (Zoom), Seth L. Phillips, Gia Ajani

Members Absent: Gunjan Verma, Frank Gasparro, Valerie Holguin, Greshma Chandrashekar

Others Present: Alexis Wellborn, Adam Richter, Yessemeri Chavez

2. Citizens' Appearance

Chair Singh advised that no one signed up to speak.

3. Approval of Minutes: April 9, 2026

A motion was made by Boardmember Radhakrishnan, seconded by Boardmember Pagedar, that this agenda item be approved. The motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

4. Youth Advisor's Report

Youth Advisor Ajani provided the Board with an update on their project and on behalf of Youth Advisor Chandrashekar. The teen event focusing on helping students with college applications and lifestyle advice has been scheduled to take place in September 2026. For social media, footage will be recorded to help promote events and activities occurring in the library. A flyer was created for Tutor.com to help promote the service. A suggestion was made by the Board to add a QR code that could be used to keep track of the users that access the service via the flyer.

5. Friends of Coppel Public Library Report

Boardmember Radhakrishnan provided an update to the Board regarding the Friends of the Friends of the Coppel Public Library.

The Friends will be participating in the Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff on May 30, 2026. The next Friends meeting will occur on May 18, 2026 in the Library. This is the annual meeting where officer elections will be included. The Annual Big Book Sale dates have been finalized. The sales will be conducted on the following dates and times:

- Thursday, November 5, 2026: 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Friday, November 6, 2026: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, November 7, 2026: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Sunday, November 8, 2026: 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

6. Manager's Report

Library Manager, Alexis Wellborn, reviewed statistics, programs and operations for the Library.

A candidate for the part-time library assistant has been selected and expected to start by the end of May once pre boarding requirements have been completed. As of May 4, 2026, the new reservation process has been implemented. Patrons must have a library card in good standing and may block 3-hours per session.

The Library, along with the rest of the city, will be phasing out the penny. Patrons will have the choice of paying with exact change or have their transaction rounded up to facilitate this change. CISD library cards will also be phasing out. This will include any student in CISD who does not reside in Coppel. On October 1, 2026, the cards will change over to a regular non-resident card. All patrons with this coding will be notified and will be able to purchase a non-resident card for the next school year if they so choose.

Programs of Note:

May 20, 10:15 - 11 AM: Public Works Storytime
May 21, 1-3 PM: Building Maintenance and Construction (HVAC Systems)
May 30, 10 AM-12 PM: Summer Reading Kick-Off
May 30, 2-3 PM: Summer Reading Kick-Off, Charcuterie Social Hour (Adults only)

7. Adjournment

There being no further items to come before the Library Advisory Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Radhika Rajgopal Singh, Chair

Prepared By:

Yessemeri Chavez, Senior Administrative Assistant