

# Arts, Culture & Libraries Committee Meeting Record

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**Meeting Date:** May 19, 2014

**Convened:** 3:03 p.m.

**Adjourned:** 4:20 p.m.

**Members Present:**

Philip T. Kingston, Chair  
Monica R. Alonzo, Vice Chair  
Jerry R. Allen  
Jennifer Staubach Gates  
Vonciel Jones Hill  
Carolyn R. Davis

**Members Absent:**

**Briefing Presenters**

Jo Giudice,  
Director of Libraries  
  
Jasmine Africawala, Community  
Engagement Administrator, Dallas  
Public Library  
  
Maria Munoz-Blanco,  
Director, Office of Cultural Affairs

**Staff Present:**

Joey Zapata, Maria Munoz-Blanco, Jo Giudice, Jasmine Africawala, Eric Izuora

**Special Guests**

**AGENDA:**

1. **Approval of April 21, 2014 Minutes**

**Presenter(s):**

**Information Only:**

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

A motion was made to approve the minutes of April 21, 2014.

**Motion made by:** Jerry R. Allen

**Motion seconded by:** Monica R. Alonzo

**Item passed unanimously:**

**Item passed on a divided vote:**

**Item failed unanimously:**

**Item failed on a divided vote:**

2. **Literacy at Dallas Public Library: Past, Present and Future**

**Presenter(s):** Jasmine Africawala  
Jo Giudice

**Information Only:**

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

This briefing provided the committee an overview of literacy enhancement programs at the Dallas Public Library.

Committee members requested that staff provide a concise description of funding strategies to increase library hours for FY 14-15, as well as a continued focus on decreasing waiting lists for adult literacy programs.

3. **Overview of the City of Dallas Public Art Program**

**Presenter(s):** Maria Munoz-Blanco

**Information Only:**

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):**

This briefing provided the committee an overview of the Public Art Program policy, procedures, and outcomes. The briefing also sought the committee's input to guide the Cultural Affairs Commission's review and updates to the Public Art policy for FY15-16, and discussion of strategies for the ongoing maintenance of the public art collection.

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**Councilmember Philip T. Kingston**  
Chair