

APPROVED

MINUTES

Library Advisory Commission (LAC)

March 1, 2005

Stern Community Room

1305 Middlefield Road

7:00 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Sanford Forte, Genevieve Gerard,
Sandra Hirsh (Chair), Valerie Stinger, John Stucky

Commissioners Absent: Lenore Jones, Paula Skokowski

Palo Alto Library Foundation (PALF): Kathy Miller

Friends of the Palo Alto Library (FOPAL): Jeff Levinsky, Wendy Akers-Ghose

Staff Present: Paula Simpson, Evelyn Cheng,
Amy Javelosa-Rio (ASD)

CALL TO ORDER – Chair Hirsh called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – None

BUSINESS

The Library Advisory Commission met for a STUDY SESSION regarding the City's 2005-2007 Budget. Board members of the Friends of the Palo Alto Library (FOPAL) and Palo Alto Library Foundation (PALF) were also invited to participate in the Study Session.

☞ Library Director Paula Simpson and Amy Javelosa-Rio, Budget Analyst with Administrative Services Department, provided information and answered questions about the structural budget imbalance the City is currently facing, and the City's strategy to address this issue.

☞ Members of the LAC, PALF and FOPAL discussed ideas to help resolve the City's \$5.2M budget deficit.

☞ Finance Committee budget hearings will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout May. The 2005-07 Budget Adoption by City Council will be held on June 13, 2005.

Hirsh moved to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.