

**COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8 BRONX**

**MINUTES OF THE LIBRARIES & CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD ON MARCH 24, 2008  
AT THE SPUYTEN DUYVIL LIBRARY NYPL  
650 WEST 235<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

**PRESENT:**

Libby Vazquez

Robert Abbott

Thomas Giallorenzi

Martin Wolpoff

Tim Tureski

**AFFILIATION:**

Chairperson, Libraries & Cultural Affairs  
Committee

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Head Librarian for Spuyten Duyvil branch

Tim Tureski, head librarian at the Spuyten Duyvil branch met with the committee. We discussed general branch usage statistics (circulation numbers are over 190,000). We discussed NYPL's centralized book ordering system (books are not ordered as per needs of particular branch). Discussed in general need for renovation of branch in light of expanding residential neighborhood library is located in.

Committee discussed setting budget priorities for 2010. Van Cortlandt branch renovation has been on the wish list for quite some time – committee members want to tour branch to see first hand what the situation is at that branch.

Next meeting to be held on April 14, 2008, at the Van Cortlandt Branch.

Respectfully submitted,

Libby Vazquez  
Chairperson  
Libraries & Cultural Affairs Committee

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