

MINUTES

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE POMONA PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGULAR MEETING

May 15, 2024

5:00 P.M.

100. OPENING

- **110. Call to Order**

Vice Chair Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

- **120. Pledge of Allegiance**

Trustee Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- **130. Roll Call**

Present Trustees:

- Lisa Snider (Mayoral Appointee) –
- Mario Suarez (District 1) - ABSENT
- Meg Johannsen (District 2) – left at 5:30
- Tom O. Rodriguez (District 3) –
- Debra Martin (District 4) –
- Renee Barbee (District 5) -
- Arwa Hammad (District 6) - ABSENT

Others Present:

- Mark Gluba, Assistant City Manager
- Anita Torres, Deputy Director of Library Services / Board Secretary

200. PUBLIC COMMENT

- 210.** There was no public comment.

300. CONSENT CALENDAR

- 310.** Approval of the Library Board Meeting Minutes: April 17, 2024.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE BARBEE AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MARTIN TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT (5-0).

400. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH

410. Vice Chair Rodriguez said he planned to attend some upcoming Library related events and Trustee Martin made positive comments about recent Library related events.

500. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

510. Update from the Junior Poetic Arts Ad Hoc Committee – Two of the committee members were not present so discussion will resume at the next meeting.

520. Staff Updates – Ms. Torres reported that a new employee had started in the Circulation Department, Sarina De la Torre, Library Clerk II.

530. Approval to Cancel the August 2024 Board of Library Trustees Meeting to Align With the Pomona City Council Meeting Calendar.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE SNIDER AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE BARBEE TO APPROVE CANCELLATION OF THE AUGUST 2024 BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING TO ALIGN WITH THE POMONA CITY COUNCIL MEETING CALENDAR. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT (5-0).

540. Approval to Cancel the June 2024 Board of Library Trustees Meeting In Observance of the Juneteenth Holiday.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE SNIDER AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE BARBEE TO APPROVE CANCELLATION OF THE JUNE 2024 BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING IN OBSERVANCE OF THE JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT (5-0).

550. Update on Library Programs and Events. Ms. Torres reported on Gardening Club, Mental Health Storytime, Children’s Summer Reading Challenge, Teen/Tween Sumer Reading Program, and the “Ice Cream Everywhere” author event.

600. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

610. FOPPL – On behalf of the Friends, Ms. Torres reported that two volunteers helped at the Juice & Paint event, and that an application had been submitted to San Manuel for a funding grant.

620. PPLF - Bree Hsieh announced the ceremony to install atrium tiles for Gala honorees and wall plaques for donors would be on May 18th, announced updates regarding the Mayor’s Gala, and announced the Foundation would be merging the two Homework Club coordinator positions into a more robust Homework Club Manager position.

630. SOPPL – John Clifford reported the group had met and there are no actions to report at this time.

700. STAFF COMMUNICATION

710. Deputy Director of Library Services - Ms. Torres thanked the Board and community organizations for their continued support of the Pomona Public Library in service of the community. Ms. Torres reported the State of California budget deficits would likely impact access to some of the grant funded resources.

720. Assistant City Manager – Mr. Gluba reported a job walkthrough planned as next steps for the Library Infrastructure project.

800. ADJOURNMENT

810. Adjournment to Wednesday May 15th, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

VICE CHAIR RODRIGUEZ ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 5:50 PM.

Anita Torres, Deputy Director of Library Services /Board Secretary

ATTEST:

Mike Suarez, Chair, Library Board of Trustees