

MINUTES
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE POMONA PUBLIC LIBRARY
REGULAR MEETING
July 16, 2025
5:00 P.M.

100. OPENING

- **110. Call to Order**

Chair Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm.

- **120. Pledge of Allegiance**

Trustee Barbee led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- **130. Roll Call**

Present Trustees:

Lisa Snider (Mayoral Appointee)
Sofia R. Araya Abbas (District 1) - JOINED AT 5:08pm
Meg Johannsen (District 2)
Tom O. Rodriguez (District 3)
Mario Suarez (District 4)
Renee Barbee (District 5)
Alexis L. Gordillo (District 6) – ABSENT

Others Present:

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

200. PUBLIC COMMENT

210. Allan Lagumbay presented postcards to the Board.

300. CONSENT CALENDAR

310. Approval of the Library Board Meeting Minutes: May 21, 2025.

320. Approval of the Library Board Meeting Minutes: June 18, 2025.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE SNIDER AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE BARBEE TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR WITH THE NOTATION THAT A SPELLING TYPO BE FIXED ON THE MAY 21, 2025 MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT (6-0).

400. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH

410. Trustee Suarez expressed concerns over the Police Department parking in the Library designated lot. Vice Chair Johannsen mentioned attending the Mobile Zoo and Humane Heroes events, and asked for information on availability of the NY Times online as the subscription was recently canceled by the CA State Library for budget reasons.

500. DISCUSSION CALENDAR**510. Discussion Regarding Post-Construction Library Reopening**

Celebration – Ms. Torres inquired about Board interest and potential ideas. Mr. Gluba mentioned inviting Supervisor Solis. Duane Smith mentioned inviting someone from the CA State Library.

520. Report From the Local Authors Event Ad Hoc Committee – Chair

Rodriguez and Vice Chair Johannsen presented updates and discussed options for marketing the event. John Clifford mentioned Café con Libros.

530. Discussion Regarding Cancellation of the August 2025 Board of Library Trustees Meeting in Alignment with the Pomona City Council Meeting Calendar. -

The Board discussed and decided to hold the August meeting as planned.

540. Library Infrastructure Project and Operational Plans Update – Mr.

Gluba and Ms. Torres provided updates.

600. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

610. Friends of the Pomona Public Library – No comments were made by the Friends of the Pomona Public Library.

620. Library Foundation – No comments were made by the Library Foundation.

630. Support Our Pomona Public Library (SOPPL) – No comments were made by Support Our Pomona Public Library.

700. STAFF COMMUNICATION

710. Deputy Director of Library Service – Ms. Torres thanked the Board, Friends, Foundation, and SOPPL for their support of the Library. Ms. Torres reported that Summer Reading Program was a success and that Crochet and Gardening programs

continue to be popular. Ms. Torres reported that additional security cameras have been installed in the downstairs areas of the Library.

720. Assistant City Manager – Mr. Gluba mentioned being happy that staff were able to test out Summer Reading Program events earlier in the day, and seeing that morning events were as well attended as afternoon events.

800. ADJOURNMENT

810. Adjournment to Wednesday August 20, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.

ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 6:15 PM.
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Anita Torres, Deputy Director of Library Services /Board Secretary

ATTEST:

Chair, Library Board of Trustees