

MINUTES
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE POMONA PUBLIC LIBRARY
Via Zoom Conference Call
REGULAR MEETING
August 18, 2021
5:00 P.M.

100. OPENING

- **110. Call to Order**

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

- **120. Pledge of Allegiance**

Trustee Bridge led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- **130. Roll Call**

Present Trustees:

Lisa Snider (Mayoral Appointee)
Mario Suarez (District 1)
Meg Johannsen (District 2) - EXCUSED
Tom O. Rodriguez (District 3)
Debra Martin (District 4)
Megan Gearhart (District 5)
Bobby Bridge (District 6)

Others Present:

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

200. PUBLIC COMMENT

210. There were no comments from the public.

300. CONSENT CALENDAR

310. Approval of the Library Board Meeting Minutes: July 21, 2021.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE SNIDER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES, THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MARTIN, AND THE MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT (6-0), TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEM 310.

400. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH

410. Trustee Martin reported on her attendance at the Pomona Public Library Foundation board meeting.

420. Chair Gearhart reported on her volunteering at the Pomona Resource Fair on behalf of the Library.

430. Trustee Bridge reported that he and his family attended, and enjoyed, a Summer Reading Program puppet show event at the Library.

440. Trustee Suarez reported on his volunteering at the Pomona Resource Fair.

500. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

510. Chair Gearhart and Trustee Suarez reported back from the Display Case Subcommittee meeting.

520. Vice Chair Rodriguez discussed the possibility of eliminating overdue fines at the Pomona Public Library.

530. Vice Chair Rodriguez brought up the topic of possibly eliminating overdue fines at the Pomona Public Library. The Board discussed the topic and requested that Ms. Torres and Mr. Gluba report back at a future meeting regarding revenue impact and details of what other library systems are doing regarding fine elimination.

540. Vice Chair Rodriguez reported on the recommendations of the subcommittee regarding the revised Library Rules & Regulations.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE SUAREZ TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE LIBRARY RULES AND REGULATIONS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MARTIN AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT (6-0).

550. Chair Gearhart brought up the topic of the Board of Library Trustees 2021 calendar of meetings. The meeting schedule was discussed, and moving forward the Board may decide to adjust as necessary.

600. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD**610. Friends of the Pomona Public Library**

No communications at this time. Ms. Torres expressed thanks for their support.

620. Pomona Public Library Foundation

Duane Smith reported on the Foundation's volunteer presence at the Pomona Resource Fair, on behalf of the Library. Mr. Smith reported on profits from the Virtual Mayor's Gala. Mr. Smith reported an update on the Foundation's finances, the status of the State grant, and some upcoming plans for helping the Library. Mr. Smith reported on Summer Excursions and Homework Club.

630. SOPPL (Support Our Pomona Public Library)

John Clifford reported on the group's most recent meeting, with the primary topic being Library advocacy. Mr. Clifford reported on SOPPL's volunteer presence at the Pomona Resource Fair, on behalf of the Library.

700. STAFF COMMUNICATION**710. Library Services Manager**

Ms. Torres thanked members of the Board and support groups for their help at the Pomona Resource Fair on behalf of the Library, and for their continued advocacy.

Ms. Torres reported that Jessica Gomez will be attending the "Serving with a Purpose" Conference in place of Crystal Orosco.

Ms. Torres reported on usage statistics and patron attendance since the new extended hours.

Ms. Torres reported on some upcoming funding opportunities from the California State Library, Southern California Library Cooperative, and other sources.

Ms. Torres reported on having attended a Grantsmanship Workshop, funded in part by the California Library Association and the California State Library.

Ms. Torres reported on usage of the Public Conference Room.

Ms. Torres reported on collaborative meetings with local organizations.

720. Deputy City Manager

Deputy City Manager Gluba reported updates on furniture delivery and exterior walkoff grate installation.

Mr. Gluba announced a delay of the grand reopening event, pending health and safety regulations, staffing increases, and item deliveries.

Mr. Gluba provided an update on the status of the roof, per Chair Gearhart's mention.

Mr. Gluba provided an update on the Library HVAC system.

800. ADJOURNMENT

810. Trustee Suarez excused himself from the meeting at 6:15pm.

CHAIR GEARHART ADJOURNED THE MEETING AT 6:52 PM.

820. Adjournment to Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. via Teleconference.

Anita Torres, Library Services Manager/Board Secretary

ATTEST:

Megan Gearhart, President, Library Board of Trustees