

MINUTES
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE POMONA PUBLIC LIBRARY
Via Zoom Conference Call
REGULAR MEETING
June 16, 2021
5:00 P.M.

100. OPENING

- **110. Call to Order**

Chair Gearhart called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

- **120. Pledge of Allegiance**

Trustee Suarez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- **130. Roll Call**

Present Trustees:

Lisa Snider (Mayoral Appointee)
Mario Suarez (District 1)
Meg Johannsen (District 2)
Tom O. Rodriguez (District 3)
Debra Martin (District 4) - EXCUSED
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

There were no comments from the public.

300. CONSENT AGENDA

310. Approval of the Library Board Meeting Minutes: May 19, 2021.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE SNIDER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES, THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR RODRIGUEZ, 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 Bridge mentioned advocating for the Library at a community event. Trustee Snider expressed gratitude for the newspaper article that David Allen wrote about the Pomona Library.

500. OLD BUSINESS

510. Follow-up information regarding the possibility of placing a Discover Books donation bin within the City of Pomona. Deputy City Manager Gluba confirmed this would not be allowed per City of Pomona public municipal code.

600. NEW BUSINESS

610. Approval of the 2021-22 Library holiday closure dates. After some discussion, it was decided that Library Services Manager Torres would discuss with Library staff to determine whether the majority preferred the Library to be closed during the same December dates as City Hall.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE SNIDER TO PLACE APPROVAL OF THE 2021-22 LIBRARY HOLIDAY CLOSURES DATES ON THE JULY AGENDA AND FOR THE BOARD TO POSTPONE VOTING UNTIL THEN. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY VICE CHAIR RODRIGUEZ AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT (6-0).

700. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

Friends of the Pomona Public Library

Ms. Torres announced on behalf of the Friends, their offer to fund the performers for Summer Reading Program 2021-22.

Pomona Public Library Foundation

Duane Smith spoke about the upcoming Virtual Mayor's Gala and Silent Auction. Mr. Smith reported continued funding toward the Library remodel project.

SOPPL (Support Our Pomona Public Library)

John Clifford reported work on the outdoor atrium.

Library Services Manager

Ms. Torres thanked the Board, Foundation, SOPPL, Friends and Deputy City Manager Gluba for the ongoing support of the Library.

Ms. Torres reported a successful reopening of the building with 98 patrons visiting on the first day.

Ms. Torres reported that in-person Storytimes would resume on June 30th.

Ms. Torres reported that after cancellation in 2020 as a result of COVID-19 health and safety concerns, Summer Reading Program would be held again during July and August this year.

Responding to a question from Trustee Johannsen, Ms. Torres confirmed that Pomona Library is set up with the Beanstack app, currently funded by the California State Library, which allows patrons and staff to digitally track their reading challenges and participate in incentive programs. The Library has decided to use manual methods for signups and milestones for this Summer Reading Program, as processes transition to hybrid or all-digital. The plan is to use Beanstack for future incentive programs and reading challenges.

Deputy City Manager

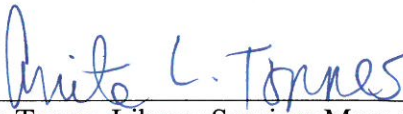
Deputy City Manager Gluba reported the Library will be serving as a cooling center for LA County on very hot days.

Mr. Gluba emphasized the significance of the Foundation contributing State grant acquired funds, and their own Foundation funds, toward the very rewarding and impactful improvements within the Pomona Library.

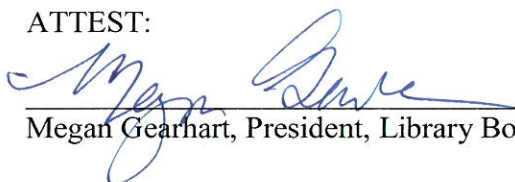
800. ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE SNIDER, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE JOHANNSEN, AND CARRIED BY A VOTE OF THE MEMBERS PRESENT (6-0), TO APPROVE ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING AT 5:55 PM.

810. Adjournment to Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. via Teleconference.


Anita Torres, Library Services Manager/Board Secretary

ATTEST:


Megan Gearhart, President, Library Board of Trustees