



# **CITY OF SANTA BARBARA LIBRARY BOARD**

## **MINUTES**

**Thursday, March 10, 2022**

**12:00 p.m.**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Will Tomlinson called the meeting to order at 12:00PM.

### **ROLL CALL**

Board Members present: Leslie Dinaberg, Margaret Crocco, Will Tomlinson, Barbara Hershberg, Dena Davis

Board Members absent: NA

City Council Liaison: Eric Friedman

### **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Correct date under Budget Update from January 31, 2022 to February 28, 2022.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – of February 10, 2022**

*Recommendation: That the Library Board waive the reading and approve the minutes of Thursday, February 10, 2022.*

Motion: Board Members Dinaberg/Davis to approve the minutes of Thursday, February 10, 2022.

Vote: Unanimous roll call vote.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None was made.

### **LIBRARY SUPPORT ACTIVITIES**

#### **Santa Barbara Public Library Foundation**

Discussion: The Library Board received an update from the Foundation Director, Lauren Trujillo, about what the Foundation has been working on, including attending the City Council meeting on March 29<sup>th</sup> for the awarding of the contract for the Library's 3 CIP projects, hosting a Happy Hour with the Library on the Go Van at Potek Winery on April 6<sup>th</sup>, and the ground breaking for the Library Plaza on May 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Friends of the Santa Barbara Public Library**

Discussion: The Library Board received an update from the President of the Friends, Barbara Hershberg, about what the Friends have been working on, including an Author Night on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **1. April Library Board Meeting Date Change**

*Recommendation: That the Library Board change the date of the April 2022 meeting.*

Motion: Board Members Hershberg/Dinaberg to move the April 2022 meeting date to April 20, 2022.

Vote: Unanimous roll call vote.

Public Comment: None were made.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **2. ILS and Black Gold Membership Update**

*Recommendation: That the Library Board receive an update on the Library's migration to a new ILS and the status of the Library's Black Gold membership.*

Speaker: Jessica Cadiente, Library Director

Discussion: The Library Board received an update on the Library's migration to a new ILS and the status of the Library's Black Gold membership. Material sharing for all Black Gold member libraries was stopped in January by decision from the Black Gold Administrative Council but Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo are still trying to pursue resource sharing options with the remaining Black Gold member libraries for special collection items. Santa Barbara is also pursuing reciprocal borrowing options. The ILS migration date was moved up to April 15<sup>th</sup> from May 2<sup>nd</sup> due to Black Gold freezing access to Polaris after Black Gold member libraries migrate on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. As part of the migration process, all Santa Barbara Public Library locations will be closed on April 14<sup>th</sup>. On April 15<sup>th</sup>, the Library will be launching its own Overdrive and Enki collections in addition to the new Koha ILS. Due to receiving additional Zipbook Grant funds from the State, the Library was able to increase the request limit from 2 Zipbook requests per year per patron to 5 Zipbook requests per month per patron, greatly increasing the Library's ability to meet local needs. The Carpinteria Library is leaving the Santa Barbara Public Library on July 1<sup>st</sup>. They are migrating their catalog with Black Gold but Santa Barbara will continue to manage them through June 30<sup>th</sup>. Up until April 13<sup>th</sup>, Carpinteria patrons who want to stay with Santa Barbara can change their home library to a Santa Barbara library but after April 15<sup>th</sup>, they will need to come to either Central, Eastside, or Montecito to get a Santa Barbara Public Library card.

Public Comment: None were made.

### **3. Library Director's Report**

*Recommendation: That the Library Board receive the monthly Library Director's Report.*

Speaker: Jessica Cadiente, Library Director

Discussion: The Library Board received the monthly Library Director's Report. City Council voted to give the Library ARPA funds to reopen the Central and Eastside Libraries 7 days a week. For the Library's 3 CIP projects, 2 bids were received, but the lowest acceptable bid came in over budget. The Library will be working with Finance and the City Administrator's Office to determine how to proceed. For the Library Plaza project, the Library is looking to go to Signs Committee in April. The next CIP project the Library is looking to pursue will be a Master Plan for the Eastside Library and the Upper Level for Central. With the lifting of the

local mask mandates, the Library has been seeing a large increase in traffic as well as an increase in incidents and suspension letters similar to pre-pandemic times. The Stay & Play program continues to grow and the Library has applied for a grant to continue the Lunch at the Library program for 2022. There will be a new Neighborhood Navigation Center on the East Side and the Library on the Go Van will be participating at this new location in addition to the other two at Alameda Park and the Carrillo Commuter Lot. The Career Online High School program had 1 graduate in February with three remaining students nearing completion as well. The Library is looking to host a special celebration for these graduates and to celebrate all of their tutors participating in Adult Literacy and the OG Readers program as well. The Library took on 15 new literacy tutors in February. In celebration of National Poetry Month, the Library is looking to host a Mission Poetry Series in April. Requests for reference services have been increasing as the Library has microfilm going back to the 1850s and is the only institution providing access to many of these resources. Due to the inability to find and hire someone to provide social services, the contract with Family Services Agency has been cancelled. On Presidents Day, management staff handed out free COVID tests.

Public Comment: None were made.

#### **4. Budget Update**

*Recommendation: That the Library Board accept the financial status of the Library as of February 28, 2022.*

Speaker: Jessica Cadiente, Library Director

Discussion: As of February 28, 2022, the Library is at 66.67% of the year in and annual expenditures are at 54%.

Public Comment: None were made.

### **BOARD AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

#### **5. Library Board Member Updates**

Discussion: Board Member Hershberg shared her experience at the Eastside Library tutoring and excitement at seeing the in-person participation at the Van Gogh event.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Review Library Board Meeting Time  
SBPL Marketing and Branding Guidelines  
Collection Development Policy Review - May  
FY23 Budget  
Library on the Go One Year In-Service Review  
Review of Welcome Card Statistics

**Next Regular Meeting:** Thursday, April 20, 2022 at 12:00 p.m., Faulkner Gallery.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Will Tomlinson adjourned the meeting at 1:03PM.