



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA LIBRARY BOARD

CENTRAL LIBRARY

Faulkner Gallery, 40 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

**Thursday, May 12, 2022
12:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Leslie Dinaberg called the meeting to order at 12:01PM.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Margaret Crocco, Leslie Dinaberg, Barbara Hershberg, Dena Davis

Board Members Absent: Will Tomlinson

City Council Liaison: Eric Friedman

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – of April 20, 2022

Recommendation: That the Library Board waive the reading and approve the minutes of Wednesday, April 20, 2022.

Motion: Board Members Crocco/Davis to approve the minutes of Wednesday, April 20, 2022.

Vote: Unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None was made.

LIBRARY SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Santa Barbara Public Library Foundation

Discussion: The Library Board received an update from Foundation President, Anne Howard, and Foundation Director, Lauren Trujillo, about what the Foundation has been working on. The groundbreaking ceremony was a great success and received great press. Future endeavors include getting started on fundraising for the next SB Reads event and working with the Library on a new strategic plan.

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 their upcoming Author event and the Summer Reading Kickoff on June 11.

NEW BUSINESS

1. July Meeting Cancellation

Recommendation: That the Library Board cancel the July 2022 Library Board meeting.

Motion: Board Members Hershberg/Crocco to cancel the July 2022 Library Board meeting.

Vote: Unanimous.

2. Collection Development Policy Updates

Recommendation: That the Library Board approve the updated Collection Development Policy.

Speakers:

Lisa Neubert, Librarian

Beate Bjoerklund, Librarian

Discussion: The Library Board received an overview on the changes being proposed to the Collection Development Policy in order to have it more accurately reflect current collection needs. Some of the more substantive changes proposed included 1) removal of the direct links to the Library Bill of Rights and Freedom to Read statements from the American Library Association due to changes to these statements being outside of the Library's control 2) addition of general collection criteria allowing for the consideration of local sources and significance in selection decisions, and 3) addition of a caveat that allows for materials to be added to the collection at the Library Director's discretion despite that item not meeting outlined criteria in the policy so long as there is significant community interest in the item. The important distinction between censorship and selection was also discussed.

Motion: Board Members Davis/Crocco to approve the updated Collection Development Policy.

Vote: Unanimous.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

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. Construction for the Library's three CIP projects is still anticipated to start on July 11 but a timeline has yet to be provided to determine needed Library closures. The Library was closed for 1 day in April for the Koha migration, which was largely a success. While some minor bugs remain to be worked through, the majority of issues surrounding the ILS migration have been resolved. The switches for the Library's new Internet are being prepared for their launch on May 23 and the City's new website is anticipated to launch on June 28. Two new library card designs have been purchased and posters and brochures for the Friends and Foundation are going up at Central and Eastside. Tote bags are being investigated as the first item to launch as part of the Library's new line of merchandise. The Dia celebration was a huge success and the Read to a Dog

program is back at Eastside. The current OG Readers program has a 3 month waitlist for children who are waiting to be paired with a tutor. Adult programming continues to largely be focused around Adult Education but Trail Talks consistently has over 100 people in virtual attendance. The updated FSA Contract for social services work at the library is on the City Council agenda for the May 24. The Library on the Go Van continues to be a huge success at reaching unique users in the community but will no longer be going to Neighborhood Navigation Center at Alameda Park. It will, however, continue to go to the Centers at the Carrillo Commuter Lot and the new one on the East Side.

Public Comment: Anne Howard on being stunned by the long waitlist for being matched with an OG tutor and recommendation for more marketing opportunities.

4. Budget Update

Recommendation: That the Library Board accept the financial status of the Library as of April 30, 2022.

Speaker: Jessica Cadiente, Library Director

Discussion: As of April 30, 2022, the Library is at 83.33% of the year in and annual expenditures are at 73%.

BOARD AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

5. Library Board Member Updates

Discussion: Board Member Davis shared that the Library's Book Sale Wall is a great resource to purchase books for their local little free library. Board Member Hershberg shared their experiences becoming an OG tutor and how rewarding the work is.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Website and ILS Update - August

SBPL Marketing and Branding Guidelines

Library on the Go One Year In-Service Review

Review of Welcome Card Statistics

Next Regular Meeting: Thursday, June 9, 2022 at 12:00 p.m., Faulkner Gallery.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Leslie Dinaberg adjourned the meeting at 1:21PM.