



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA LIBRARY BOARD

CENTRAL LIBRARY

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

Thursday, September 8, 2022
12:00 p.m.

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

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

Board Members Absent: NA

City Council Liaison: Absent

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

The Budget Update Item was postponed until the October 2022 Library Board meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – of June 9, 2022

Recommendation: That the Library Board waive the reading and approve the minutes of Thursday June 9, 2022.

Motion: Board Members Crocco/Dinaberg to approve the minutes of Thursday, June 9, 2022.

Vote: Unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None were made.

LIBRARY SUPPORT ACTIVITIES

Santa Barbara Public Library Foundation

Discussion: The Library Board received an update from the Foundation Director, Lauren Trujillo, on what the Foundation has been working on, including the Library on the Go Happy Hour event, Library Plaza ribbon cutting event, and initiating the process for their endowment, and was introduced to the new Foundation President, Jim Jackson.

Friends of the Santa Barbara Public Library

Discussion: The Library Board received an update from the President of the Friends, Barbara Hershberg, on their upcoming initiatives, including an outdoor Book Sale at the Eastside Library, Mahjong event, and procuring and operating a Friends Book Store in downtown Santa Barbara.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Welcome Card Update

Recommendation: That the Library Board receive an update on the Library's Welcome Card.

Speaker: Jessica Cadiente, Library Director

Discussion: The Library Board received an update on the Library's Welcome Card, including its success in providing access to library services for some of the most vulnerable community members. Staff do not feel that lost items are drastically higher for this category of library card than any other but will continue to monitor the program and circulation use related to lost items.

2. Fiscal Sustainability Update

Recommendation: That the Library Board receive an update on the City's Fiscal Sustainability initiative.

Speaker: Jessica Cadiente, Library Director

Discussion: The Library Board received an update on the City's Fiscal Sustainability initiative, including a draft review of the slides the Library is working on for their Financial Review before the Finance Committee on September 27, 2022.

Public Comment: Alejandro Barragan on the colors on the Financial Review slides.

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, including the changes to public hours, staff parking, construction, the website, impacts to Collections after a major vendor experienced a ransomware attack, open recruitments, and upcoming programs and events.

BOARD AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

4. Library Board Member Updates

Discussion: Board Member Hershberg shared some of the initiatives she has been working on, including advocacy at the County level.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

SBPL Marketing and Branding Guidelines

Library On the Go One Year In-Service Review

Arts Advisory Agreement

Next Regular Meeting: Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 12:00 p.m., Faulkner Gallery.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Will Tomlinson adjourned the meeting at 1:56PM.