City of Mesa Library Advisory Board Meeting

Date: January 15, 2019 Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Mesa Public Library

Red Mountain Branch Library, Road Runner Room

635 N. Power Road Mesa, AZ 85205

Members Present Staff Present Sheila Byrne Heather Wolf Alexis Ross, Vice Chair Anna Mathews Steven Miner Polly Bonnett Joyce Abbott Megan Sterling Irene Frklich Tony Garvey Nathaniel Wadsworth **Brandon Williams** Pamela Rineholt Amelia Romney

Members Absent

Cindy Smith, Chair

Joy Petroff

AGENDA ITEM DISCUSSION

Guests Present

Call to Order Vice Chair Member, Alexis Ross, called the meeting for the City of Mesa Library

Advisory Board to order at 5:38 p.m. on January 15, 2019.

Approval of September 18th minutes and November 20th minutes

The September 18th meeting minutes were moved by Pamela Rineholt and seconded by Irene Frklich. The November 20th meeting minutes were moved by Irene Frklich and seconded by Megan Sterling. Upon the tabulation of votes for both meeting minutes, the results showed:

AYES - Byrne, Ross, Sterling, Wadsworth, Rineholt, and Frklich

NAYS-None

Public Comments There were no public comments.

Introductions, Recognitions, and Announcements Amelia Romney was introduced from the City of Mesa's Performance Excellence Team as the Facilitator of the Library Advisory Board Focus Group.

Strategic Planning

Session

Library Director, Heather Wolf, gave background on how staff at all levels within the Library Services Department has been invited to focus groups by the Performance Excellence team over the last 2 months to share their ideas, vision, priorities, and goals for the Library System. Heather additionally gave background on the last Library Strategic Plan which was completed and approved by the Board back in 2005. The Strategic plan was intended to be a 5-year plan but had not been updated after the term, 2010. Now that Library staff has offered feedback, Heather wanted to get insight from the Board on what their priorities would be for the Library System.

Management Associate I, Amelia Romney, lead a focus group with the Library Advisory Board. The following questions were asked of the Board:

- 1. What does the Mesa Public Library do?
- 2. Why does the Mesa Public Library exist?
- 3. Who does the Mesa Public Library serve?
- 4. What do you think the community wants/expects from the Mesa Public Library?
- 5. If there were no limits, what would the Mesa Public Library look like?
- 6. What do you think the Mesa Public Library priorities should be?

Management Assistant II, Tony Garvey, explained what the next steps would be following the Focus Group, which would be to combine all focus group data from the 15 different groups and use the combined information to solicit feedback on a final Library Priority survey to staff and the Library Advisory Board. From the survey, the Library Administrative team will use the gathered information to begin the Mesa Public Library's 2020-2025 Strategic Plan.

Identify items for future agendas

Heather told the Board that she will update them on the timelines for design and construction of the 3 library bond projects. She will also update the Board on the Library Budget.

Board Member Sheila Byrne asked to be updated on the strategic plan as well.

Next Meeting Dates

March 19th, 2019 – Dobson Ranch Library

Adjournment

Board member Megan Sterling moved & member Irene Frklich seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 6:21pm.

Upon tabulation of votes, it showed:

AYES – Byrne, Ross, Sterling, Miner, Wadsworth, Rineholt, and Frklich

NAYS - None

The next meeting will be held on the 19th of March at 5:30 p.m. at the Dobson Ranch, Program Room.

Heather Wolf, Library Director signs for minutes