



LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

ACTION MINUTES

January 17, 2022

The Library Advisory Board of the City of Mesa met in the Program Room at the Dobson Ranch Library Branch, 2425 S Dobson Rd, on January 17, 2023 at 5:31 p.m.

BOARD PRESENT

Steven Miner, *Chair*
Ralph Wilson, *Vice Chair*
Jo Wilson
Jeff Clubb
Cindy Smith
Ellen Bachman

BOARD ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

Polly Bonnett
Jesse Simms
Tony Garvey
Brandon Williams
Anna Mathews
Tenecia Phillips
Nicole Lind
Carolyn Hale

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of November 15, 2022, minutes

The November 15th minutes were moved by Cindy Smith and seconded by Ellen Bachman. The minutes were unanimously approved by all board members present.

3. Public Comments

Board member, Ellen Bachman, thanked MPL for the water conservation links that were posted and sent out by MPL staff. Vice Chair, Ralph Wilson, shared his conversation with a former MPL patron who had utilized book club kits and wanted additional information on how book club kits are arranged. No votes taken.

4. Introductions, Recognitions, and Announcements

No recognitions or announcements. No votes taken.

5. Collection Development Policy

Librarian III, Nicole Lind, shared a presentation with the Library Advisory Board on MPL's collection guidelines. Nicole discussed how the "request for reconsideration" form has been

updated online and the process streamlined to minimize steps, standardizing the approach. She then highlighted the appeal process, sharing how during an official appeal of a decision, a committee lead by the Assistant Library Director will be formed consisting of 2 Board members and 2 Library staff members, to review the recommendation, and offer a final decision on the request. No votes taken.

6. THINKspot Presentation

Librarian I, Carolyn Hale, shared an overview of the new THINKspot addition at Dobson Ranch. As a programming librarian at Dobson Ranch, Carolyn highlighted the equipment that will be inside the space (ie 3D Printer, silhouette cameo machine, glow forge, sewing, etc) and how the space will be programmed. She focused on the new addition being a creative makerspace for all users, where technology and art intersect. No votes taken.

7. Library Director's Update

Library Director, Polly Bonnett, provided an update on the THINKspot grand opening taking place Wednesday, February 1st at the Dobson Ranch location, debuting the new THINKspot and façade improvements funded by the 2018 cultural bond. She also gave a high level overview of the budget process for FY23/24, discussed the budget presentations planned, and provided updates on the new City Council elected, Monterey Park library construction, and the groundbreaking for the SE Library this Summer. No votes taken.

8. Identify items for future agendas

Polly identified the Library's strategic plan and MPL's literacy initiative as future topics for discussion. No votes taken.

9. Next meeting dates

March 21st, 2023 – Location, Library Board Room at the Main Library.

10. Adjournment

Jo Wilson motioned, and Cindy Smith seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Without objection, the Library Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the action minutes of the Library Advisory Board meeting of the City of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 17th day of January 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

TONY GARVEY, MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT II