



LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

ACTION MINUTES

September 21, 2021

The Library Advisory Board of the City of Mesa met in the Board Room at the Main Library Branch, 64 East 1st Street, and virtually on Zoom, on September 21, 2021 at 5:37 p.m.

BOARD PRESENT

Cynthia Jones, *Chair*
Megan Sterling
Cindy Smith
Ralph Wilson
Alexis Ross
Steven Miner

BOARD ABSENT

Samantha Davis
Joy Petroff
Ellen Bachman

STAFF PRESENT

Polly Bonnett
Anna Mathews
Joyce Abbott
Brandon Williams
Tony Garvey
Sara Lipich

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of May 18th minutes

The May 18th minutes were moved by Cindy Smith and seconded by Steven Miner. The minutes were unanimously approved by all board members present.

3. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

4. Introductions, Recognitions, and Announcements

Library Director Polly Bonnett introduced the newest board member, Samantha Davis. She also recognized board member Megan Sterling for a successful completion of a full year as Board Chair. Polly then shared that the former Director, Heather Wolf retired after 15 years with MPL in August of 2021. Polly then notified the Board that she has been appointed the new Director of the department. Each staff member and board member introduced themselves, as this was the first Board meeting of the Fiscal Year. No votes taken.

5. Vice Chair Selection

Board member Cindy Smith nominated Steven Miner as vice chair, seconded by Cynthia Jones. The Board unanimously approved Steven's nomination by all members present.

6. Library Card Sign-Up Month

Management Assistant II, Tony Garvey, gave a presentation on Library Card Sign-up Month, which is the month of September. He shared the monthly goal for new card sign-ups and card renewals and discussed how the Library is looking to expand its user base over the next year. No votes taken.

7. Library Director's Update

Library Director, Polly Bonnett, presented the Board with updates on the 2018 voter approved bond projects of the Main Library's Children's room renovation, the Dobson Ranch THINKspot addition and façade improvement, and the Southeast Neighborhood Library branch construction project. No votes taken.

8. Identify items for future agendas

No items identified for future meetings at this time. No votes taken.

9. Next meeting dates

November 16th, 2021 – Location TBD

10. Adjournment

Steven Miner motioned, and Megan Sterling seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Without objection, the Library Advisory Board meeting adjourned at 6:26 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 21st day of September 2021. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

TONY GARVEY, MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT II