



**LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING**

MONDAY, MAY 15, 2017

6:30 PM

**DOWNTOWN BRANCH MEETING ROOM
224 CHURCH STREET, SANTA CRUZ, CA 95060**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Commissioners Sean Campbell, Ellen Campos, Martha Dexter, Nancy Gerdt, Barbara Gorson, Cindy Jackson, and Deb Tracey-Proulx

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Any member of the audience may address the Board on any matter either on or off the agenda that is within the Board's jurisdiction. Note, however, that the Board is not able to undertake extended discussion or act on non-agendized items. Such items can be referred to staff for appropriate action which may include placement on a future agenda. If you intend to address a subject that is on the Agenda, please hold your comments regarding that item until it is before the Board so that we may properly address all comments on that subject at the same time. In general 3 minutes will be permitted per speaker during Oral Communication; A MAXIMUM of 30 MINUTES is set aside for Oral Communications at this time.

4. REPORT BY LIBRARY DIRECTOR

A. Library Director's Report – May (P.3-5)

5. MEMBER REPORTS

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

All items listed in the "Consent Calendar" will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion on these items prior to the time the Board votes on the action unless members of the public or the Board request specific items to be discussed for separate review. Items pulled for separate discussion will be considered following General Business.

A. Receive Minutes of April 17, 2017 (P.6-7)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve Minutes

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business items are intended to provide an opportunity for public discussion of each item listed. The following procedure is followed for each Business item: 1) Staff explanation; 2) Board questions; 3) Public comment; 4) Board deliberation; 5) Decision.

A. Friends of the Santa Cruz Public Libraries Presentation

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

8. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned to a Regular Meeting of the Library Advisory Commission to be held on Monday, June 19, 2017 at 6:30 PM at the Aptos Branch Meeting Room located at 7695 Soquel Drive, Aptos, CA 95003.

The Santa Cruz City-County Library System does not discriminate against persons with disabilities. Out of consideration for people with chemical sensitivities, we ask that you attend fragrance free. Upon request, the agenda can be provided in a format to accommodate special needs. Additionally, if you wish to attend this public meeting and will require assistance such as an interpreter for American Sign Language, Spanish, or other special equipment, please call the Library Administration Office at 427-7706 at least five days in advance so that we can arrange for such special assistance, or email library_admin@santacruzpl.org.



May 2017

Library Director's Report

Library Operations

Some lovely notes from our public:

"Thank you so much for reaching out to me! I'm the mother of a five year old and my family just loves the library. It is such a part of our daily lives. My son is a voracious pre-reader and found his love of reading through the library's extensive collection."

"My son's recent interest in Pokémon has been fueled through our library system's vast holdings. I am so grateful for the complete series our library offers. He's also devoured the Minecraft series and now we're enjoying many young reader graphic novels. I am so grateful for the system of requesting books to pick up at our Garfield Park branch. We use it every week. I'm also so thankful the library stocks these new and popular titles for kids. There is nothing like total immersion in an interest."

"My son super enjoys the Lego club at Garfield Park branch, and Steve is an excellent instructor. He is patient and motivating, and the kids are great role models for my son. I love this program, and we look forward to each class. My son also participated in the story time program when he was younger. We loved it and appreciated the gentleness, patience, and inclusion from the engaging instructor, Laura, as well as the intermittent subs like Jasmine. We also enjoyed Jasmine's family craft time at Garfield Park branch, but I'm not sure that program has continued, or maybe we've had a scheduling conflict this year and haven't been able to attend."

It is National Library Volunteer Week. The Library has volunteers at every branch and in every department. This week we recognized their over 13,000 hours of service last year by sending them letters of appreciation and a token of our gratitude.



The Library union representatives met with the Library Director and members of the JPA to discuss their security issues. The incidents are taking place primarily at the Downtown and Branciforte branches. They would like to see enhancements to security and the Downtown Branch Service desk. Representatives also sought clarity and the likelihood of the JPA pursuing a successor agency (to the City of Santa Cruz) for Library employee bargaining.

Friends of the Libraries

Recent gifts from the Friends of the Libraries include:

- \$2,751 for books and materials
- \$3,474 directed to specific library branches
 - Garfield Park, \$738.70;
 - Live Oak, \$250;
 - Branciforte, \$100;
 - Scotts Valley, \$1,212.70;
 - Felton, \$488.70;
 - Capitola, \$75;
 - Aptos, 559.15
- \$1,600 for the Robo Sumo program. These are sponsorship funds from Plantronics and the Santa Cruz County Bank.
- \$11,709 to support the purchase of library materials and special library programs from *the Herman A. & Ruth H. Utter Fund*.
- \$1,083 to support the purchase of new materials.
- \$1,600 for the Veterans Resource Center sponsored by Kaiser Permanente, and Bay Federal Credit Union.

Library Advisory Commission (LAC)

The Library Advisory Commission met recently to discuss STEAM programming in the libraries. Next month meeting will focus on the coordination with the Friends of the Libraries.

Library Building Projects

County staff and architect, Teall Messer continue to work on the permitting processes for the new Felton branch library. A Community discussion of the current plans will take place on May 9, 2017 from 7-9 p.m. at the Highland Park Senior Center. The community is also planning a celebration of the future home of the Library on May 20.

Capitola is moving to the development of construction documents. The Friends are hiring an individual to assist with their capital campaign.

The City of Santa Cruz Downtown Library Advisory Committee has been selected and the City has selected and begun negotiating a contract with a design firm.



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MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017

6:30 PM

**SCOTTS VALLEY BRANCH MEETING ROOM
251 KINGS VILLAGE ROAD, SCOTTS VALLEY, CA 95066**

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioners Martha Dexter (Chair), Nancy Gerdt, Cindy Jackson, and Deb Tracey-Proulx (Vice Chair)

ABSENT: Sean Campbell, Ellen Campos until 6:47 PM, and Barbara Gorson

STAFF: Library Director Susan Nemitz

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

RESULT:	APPROVED THE AGENDA OF APRIL 17, 2017
MOVER:	Deb Tracey-Proulx
SECONDER:	Cindy Jackson
AYES:	Dexter, Gerdt
ABSENT:	Sean Campbell, Ellen Campos, Barbara Gorson

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

4. REPORT BY LIBRARY DIRECTOR

A. Library Director's Report – March

5. MEMBER REPORTS

Nancy Gerdt: A meeting on May 9th by the County to unveil the site plans. Meeting will be held at the Highlands Senior Center in Ben Lomond.

On May 20th Felton Library Friends will be hosting a figures festival. Will have 11 sculptures by local artists.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Receive Minutes of March 20, 2017

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve Minutes

RESULT:	APPROVED THE MINUTES OF MARCH 20, 2017
MOVER:	Nancy Gerdt
SECONDER:	Cindy Jackson
AYES:	Campos, Dexter, Gerdt, Tracey-Proulx
ABSENT:	Sean Campbell, Barbara Gorson

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

- A. Spotlight on STEAM programs at the Santa Cruz Public Libraries (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) - Laura Whaley, Regional Manager of the Valleys Region
RECOMMENDED ACTION: None

Laura Whaley with the help of Steve, a volunteer, presented STEAM programs such as Robo Sumo.

Jennifer Hooker, a Librarian, gave an overview on the 3D printers the library owns.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Final Adjournment of the Library Advisory Commission (LAC) at 7:45 PM to the next Regular Meeting to be held on Monday, May 15, 2017 at 6:30 PM at the Downtown Branch Meeting Room located at 224 Church Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060.

Respectfully submitted,
Ivan Sumano-Vargas, Clerk of the Commission