

SANTA CRUZ PUBLIC LIBRARIES
A CITY-COUNTY SYSTEM

LIBRARY JOINT POWERS BOARD

MINUTES

July 13, 2009

Central Branch Meeting Room
224 Church Street, Santa Cruz

7:00 PM PUBLIC MEETING

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Citizen Nancy Gerdt, Citizen Barbara Gorson, Councilmember Jim Reed, Citizen Leigh Poitinger, Councilmember Sam Storey

Absent: Councilmember Katherine Beiers, Supervisor John Leopold, Councilmember Mike Rotkin, Supervisor Mark Stone

Staff: Teresa Landers, Director of Libraries
Susan Elgin, Assistant Director of Libraries

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA OF JULY 13, 2009

Citizenmember Poitinger moved, seconded by Councilmember Reed

that the Board approve the agenda of July 13, 2009.

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III. APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 1, 2009

Councilmember Reed moved, seconded by Councilmember Storey

that the Board approve the minutes of June 1, 2009.

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IV. VICE CHAIR REPORTS ON CLOSED SESSION

Citizenmember Poitinger reported that the Board met for a closed session meeting on July 7, 2009 regarding labor negotiations. The Board gave direction to library staff but took no formal action.

V. INTRODUCTION OF NEW LIBRARY DIRECTOR BY CHAIR

The Board formally introduced and welcomed the new Library Director.

VI. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. James Morley, La Selva Beach resident, would like the library to make available the requirements for library volunteers.

Citizenmember Gorson asked that volunteers please get in touch with the Friends of the Library to talk about volunteer opportunities.

7:09 PM Councilmember Beiers arrived.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Storey moved, seconded by Councilmember Beiers

that the Library Joint Powers Authority Board authorize the Director of Libraries to sign agreements with the First 5 Commission of Santa Cruz County for continuation in FY 2009-10 of the First Five Commission Grant.

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VII. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

- A. Furlough Agreement with SEIU
- B. Furlough Agreement with Operating Engineers, Supervisors
- C. Furlough Agreement with Operating Engineers, Mid-Managers
- D. Family Trust of Kenneth H. Whalen and Shirley M. Whalen
- E. Letter and Email Correspondence from Patrons
- F. Letter from Barbara Boxer Regarding LSTA Funds

VIII. REPORTS OF ADVISORY BODIES

Sherry Skold, Board Member of the Friends of the Santa Cruz City-County Library System reported the following Friends' activities:

- May Civic Auditorium Book Sale took in over \$22,000
- June Board Retreat focused on fund development
- 75% Increase in Volunteer Applications
- Upcoming Events
 - *August 1-2 Kid's Book Sale 1-4PM
 - *August 13th Friends of the Library night at Shakespeare Santa Cruz "Shipwrecked"
- Ongoing Sponsorships
 - *Munching with Mozart
 - *Library's Summer Reading Program
 - *Book Discussion Group Book Kits
 - * "Book Buddies" Outreach Program
 - *Read to Me Book Kits
 - *Shakespeare Santa Cruz Summer Performances
 - * "Business Brownbag" Small Business Survival Series

Michele Mosher, Board Member of the Friends of the Felton Library reported the following activities:

*3rd Annual Felton Library Festival: Ice Cream Social & Watermelon Feed
*September 12, 2009 from 10-12:30PM

VIII. MEMBER REPORTS

A. Felton Library Task Force

No Report

B. Scotts Valley Report

Councilmember Reed reported on the City of Scotts Valley's purchase of the skate center. The building has been inspected and will close escrow on July 20, 2009. Scotts Valley City Council will be approving a contract to hire Strategic Construction Management to be the manager on the project. In addition, the architectural sub-committee met to go over the finalists. There will be final presentations by the final five on July 22nd and will then go up for council approval. The skate rink will stay open through December for activities already planned.

Also on September 19, 2009 Scotts Valley Friends will be holding a fundraiser. Details will be announced as they become available.

IX. STAFF REPORTS

A. Tax Deductible Donations

The Santa Cruz City-County Public Library System can accept gifts, donations, and bequests. However, gifts and donations given specifically to the Santa Cruz City/County Library do not qualify as charitable contributions under the Internal Revenue Code. Gifts/Donations/Bequests can also be directed to the Friends of the Santa Cruz Public Libraries and do qualify as charitable contributions under the Internal Revenue Code.

B. Live Oak Railing and Eucalyptus Tree

A small piece of the Live Oak replacement railing was cut and stolen. The Library will look at replacing this portion of railing. In addition, a tree is in danger of coming down due to a fungus that has caused the tree to split. The Library will be working with the County on funding to help pay for the removal.

C. Programming Gift from ZunZun

ZunZun, a wildly popular local musical group, wrote a proposal in February to the Cultural Council of Santa Cruz asking for their support to give performances at local libraries this summer and received approval in June. The Library scheduled these performances for July.

D. Budget update as of 5/31/09

The Board reviewed the cash flow balance report.

E. Thoughts going forward from Library Director

Teresa Landers, Library Director, commented on her thoughts going forward. She listed a strategic plan and community input as important components to an overall visioning process for the Santa Cruz Library System. Ms. Landers will also be focused on budget process improvements.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Friends Store and Office Space at Central

Teall Messer reported on the proposed space remodel in the Central Branch lobby for a Friends store. The store will help to clean up the Central Branch lobby and increase sales space for the Friends. The Friends hope to have contractor bids in by July 15, 2009.

XI. NEXT MEETING

August 3, 2009

XII. ADJOURN

The regular meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kira Henifin, Clerk of the Board

All documents referred to in these minutes are available in the Library Office.