



Library Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: March 18, 2023

Meeting Time: 10:08 AM

Meeting Location: Martha Liebert Public Library, 124 Calle Malinche Bernalillo NM 87004, Large Study Room on the Second Floor

Attendees:

Joseph McKenzie

Elizabeth Withers

Francie Jay Latham (Chair)

Tarianne Terrazas Quintana

Susan Rinaldi

Absent: Gerard Mondragón

Call to Order:

Francie J. Latham called the meeting to order at 10:08 AM.

Committee Reports:

There were no standing committee reports.

Discussion:

The Board continued to review sections five and six of the bylaws for a rewrite. Edits were provided to Joseph

McKenzie. There were no formal motions put on the floor for the meeting. Rather, there was open discussion and library updates.

Progress Report:

Computer lab: 10 top-of-the-line machines have been set up in the library. A valid library card is required to use the computers, which has increased library card issuance. There were 78 new sign-ups last month. This also addresses the safety and security of the library, patrons, and use of equipment because these computers are located near the children's department.

Integrated library system: The library is updating the system. There is a new technical services department in Bernalillo, the state library team assembled by Joseph. They can handle the migration. They have been here weekly and it's now ready to go live anticipated the fourth coming Wednesday. We are the first small library ahead of Rio Rancho in Albuquerque. There's separate children's access for public library searches. It's easier to analyze the collection with easy reports and metrics, and it helps develop circulation and management more precisely. There was a seven-hour training for support with helpdesk assistance, provided with the standup of the new system.

Children's section: New chairs have been added. They were donated by the museum and are goofy, egg-shaped chairs in fun colors. The kids love them, and they were gifted to the library from the Bernalillo museum. A budget of \$90,000 for painting lighting was allocated to the Martha

Liebert Public Library as well as \$70,000 in capital or non-capital projects. Colors were selected from 650 colors from the national trust for historic preservation.

Summer reading program: It will include three explore STEM programs mid-March, April, and May. There will also be three other association programs and seven BioPark programs. These are free at no cost to participants.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be on Saturday, June 17, 2023, at 10 AM.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 11 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tarianne Terrazas Quintana