

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
MONROVIA LIBRARY BOARD
HELD THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 2014**

CONVENE: Board President Radford convened the regular meeting of the Monrovia Library Board on Thursday, August 28, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., in the Monrovia Community Center Monroe Room, 119 West Palm Avenue, Monrovia, California. Staff in attendance; Community Services Director Tina Cherry, Acting Library Division Manager Linda Granicy, Librarian II Youth Services Rebecca Elder, Librarian II Adult Services Carol Kampe, Librarian II Youth Services Elizabeth Schneider, Acting Library Office Supervisor Julie Gallardo, and Administrative Secretary Tina Wells.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Boardmember Wall led the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL: In attendance; Boardmembers Carlson, and Wall, Vice President Harvis and President Radford. Boardmember Morgan – Excused.

PRESENTATIONS: Rebecca Elder announced that the Monrovia Library is the recipient of the California Reads 2014 Grant – War Comes Home. California Reads is a program of Cal Humanities in partnership with the California Center for the Book. The War Comes Home initiative will focus on the veteran experience ~ aiming to create public understanding and empathy, and how best to reincorporate the returning veteran’s into the fabric of civilian life.

CONSENT CALENDAR: It was moved by Boardmember Wall and seconded by Vice President Harvis to accept the consent calendar consisting of CC-1 and CC-2. There were no objections and the motion was unanimously approved.

- CC-1** Unadopted Minutes of the July 24, 2014 Regular Meeting
- CC-2** Adult and Youth Services Program Report for August 2014

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (TAB): Megan Matthiesen a ninth grade student and Jasmine Turner an eleventh grade student at Monrovia High School provided updates on current and upcoming TAB events.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

AR-1 2013-14 Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Evaluation: Youth Services Librarian II Elizabeth Schneider reported that TAB had 161 board members this year, compared to 153 the previous year. Over 45 percent of the members are in the sixth, seventh, and eighth grade.

TAB held many teen events during the past year – the most popular was the Hunger Games Challenge with 31 participants. Other events included; a monthly 80’s movie night, the Creepy Canyon Night Hike, in partnership with Canyon Park Rangers, Life-Sized Game Nights, making gingerbread houses and a Zombie Apocalypse; an average 28 teens attended these events.

TAB members volunteered a total of 3,580 this year which equated to \$32,220 in staff cost savings as compared to the previous year of 3,027 volunteer hours, and a staff cost savings of \$24,216.

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After discussion, it was moved by Vice President Harvis and seconded by Boardmember Wall to receive and file, AR-1 2013-14 Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Evaluation. There were no objections and the motion was unanimously approved.

AR-2 2013-14 Circulation Statistics Annual Evaluation: Acting Library Office Supervisor Julie Gallardo reported annual circulation statistics have been provided to the Library Board since the opening of the new Library in 2009. Based on statistical data, the circulation numbers has, as expected, declined and indicates that the newness of the Library has taken its course as new patrons become fewer and fewer. Staff anticipates that circulation statistics will level off and become fairly consistent in the coming years.

After discussion, it was moved by Vice President Harvis and seconded by Boardmember Carlson to receive and file, AR-2 2013-14 Circulation Statistics Annual Evaluation. There were no objections and the motion was unanimously approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Director of Community Services, Tina Cherry has chosen to participate in the MAP Leadership Academy beginning on Thursday, September 11. This is an eight week program. • The Library Board's meetings in November and December fall on holidays. Past practice is that the Board goes dark in those months. Staff will bring this back in September. • Mark your calendars for Wednesday, September 10 for the Station Square groundbreaking ceremony at 10:00a.m. on Myrtle Avenue, just north of Duarte Road. It is the largest Public Works project the City's has endeavored. • The name tags have been ordered and should be ready in the next few weeks.

DIVISION MANAGER'S REPORT: Acting Library Division Manager, Linda Granicy reported; Paws to Read summer reading club ended August 2, with over 1,811 registered participants. This is greater participation than in previous years. Staff will present an evaluation at the September Library Board meeting. Barks to Books, this program is geared toward reluctant readers reading to non-judgmental dogs..

LIBRARY BOARD LIAISON REPORTS:

LR-1 Boardmember Carlson: The Monrovia Reads chili cook off is scheduled for September 20.

LR-2 Vice President Harvis: No Report.

LR-3 Boardmember Morgan: Excused.

LR-4 President Radford: No Report.

LR-5 Boardmember Wall: Library Foundation; distributed a sample packet of fundraiser handouts. Tickets go on sale the beginning of September. Approved the Foundation new bylaws.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular Library Board meeting will be held on Thursday, September 25, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Monrovia Community Center, Monroe Room.

ADJOURNMENT: The regular meeting of the Library Board was adjourned at 7:37p.m.

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