

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
MONROVIA LIBRARY BOARD
HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2017**

CONVENE: President Dr. Morgan convened the regular meeting of the Monrovia Library Board on Thursday, April 27, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in the Monrovia Public Library Community Room, 119 West Palm Avenue, Monrovia, California. Staff in attendance: Public Services Director Tina Cherry, Library Manager Carey Vance, Adult Services Supervisor Rebecca Elder, Youth Services Supervisor Elizabeth Schneider, Management Analyst Julie Gallardo, Adult Librarian and Veterans Services Coordinator Mabel Cross and Administrative Assistant Miga Wang.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Boardmember Harvis led the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL: In attendance: Boardmembers Wall, Harvis, Vice President Carlson, President Dr. Morgan. Boardmember Walters excused.

PRESENTATIONS:

CONSENT CALENDAR: It was moved by Boardmember Wall and seconded by Boardmember 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 March 23, 2017 Regular Meeting

CC-2 Adult and Youth Services Program Report for April 2017

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (TAB): Kate Samaniego, 11th grade at the Alverno Heights Academy provided updates on current and upcoming TAB events.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

AR-1 Veterans Resource Center Update – Mabel Cross, Adult Services Librarian/ Veterans Services Coordinator provided the Library Board with an update on the Veterans Resource Center: Veterans Connect@ the Library is the administrator of the Veterans Resource Center grant funded program. California is the only state with this program. There are over 50 Veteran Resources Centers in Libraries and institutions across California and approximately 13 Veteran Resource Centers in Southern California. The Monrovia Public Library is the only veteran resource center in the San Gabriel Valley. In 2016, Adult Services Supervisor Rebecca Elder applied for and was awarded a grant through the Veterans Connect@ the Library project. The Veterans Resource Center at the Monrovia Library was opened on November 10, 2016.

The Veterans Resource Center at the Monrovia Public Library, operates during regular Library hours and is currently staffed by six (6) CALVET trained volunteer staff. Volunteer staff provides website links to local veterans resources and access to computers for extended periods in order for veterans to

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complete online applications and do research based on their needs. The staff have assisted over 50 veterans and family members.

Library Board Action: No action needed.

REPORTS FROM STAFF:

RFS-1 Tina Cherry, Public Services Director

- Recognized Library Manager Cavey Vance on her one year anniversary and thanked her for her contributions.
- Informed the board on the passing of Joannie Yuille last week. Her remembrance ceremony will be held at Monrovia High School on April 29, from 1:30-5:00 pm. She was a tremendous leader of our community, and great supporter to our Library.

RFS-2 Carey Vance, Library Manager

- Strategic Plan Update – Finishing up the Smart Goals with staff.
- Veterans Hike coming up on May 6. A Canyon Park Ranger volunteer, who is also a Navy Veteran will be the guide for the hike tour. A total of 25 people signed up. Lunch will be supported by Friends of Monrovia Public Library.
- National Library Week – April 9 ~ April 15, American Library Association held every year since 1958, a national campaign to highlight the importance of library and celebrate libraries.
- CENIC Grant Update – received \$24,000, working with Acorn to coordinate with State, telecommunication and equipment company to upgrade our internet system by December 2017 or early 2018.

LIBRARY BOARD LIAISON REPORTS:

LR-1 Vice President Carlson: Becky Shelvlin reported – Monrovia Reads distributed many books during the Spring Egg Hunt event.

LR-2 Boardmember Harvis: Monrovia's *Flying Field* event will be held on Sunday, April 30, from 2-4 pm.

LR-3 President Dr. Morgan: No report.

LR-4 Boardmember Wall: The Monrovia Library Foundation is continuing to work on the Library Mobile Book Truck research. Janet Wall will be making a presentation at the Serving with a Purpose conference on May 4.

LR-5 Board Member Walters: Excused.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular Library Board meeting will be held on Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Monrovia Community Center, Monroe Room.

ADJOURNMENT: The regular meeting of the Library Board was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

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