
MEETING MINUTES

June 15th, 2022

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

Roll Call

PRESENT: Chair Wendi Mahaney-Gurahoo, Vice Chair Jose Magaña, Commissioners Ken Kelly, Hilary Thorsen, Angelica Ramos, Elena Jolly, Aaron Zisser, Janice Allen, Michael Melillo, Anarita Reyes, Kristen Brown, and Patricia Mendoza

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Library Director Jill Bourne; Deputy Library Director of Operations Jenny Choi; Deputy Library Director of Public Services Michelle Ornat; Library Foundation Executive Director Dr. Dawn Coppin; Division Managers Jean Herriges, Vidya Kilambi, Michelle Amores, and Ann Grabowski; Public Information Manager Elizabeth Castañeda; Public Information Representative Nancy Macias; Senior Office Specialist Melissa Chheuy; Administrative Assistant Dziem Nguyen

Others: City of San José District 8 Council Assistant Mariela Garcia

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

The Library and Education Commission convened at 7:00 PM via Zoom webinar. A quorum was achieved with 12 Commissioners present.

II. Consent Calendar

A. Approve the June 15th, 2022 Agenda.

B. Approve the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 18th, 2022.

On the motion of Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Kelly, Commissioner voted unanimously to approved June 15th, 2022 Agenda with Vice Chair Magaña and Commissioner Allen not present.

Commissioner voted to approved May 18th, 2022 Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Jolly and Zisser abstained with Vice Chair Magaña and Commissioner Allen not present.

III. Public Record: There was no correspondence for the Commissioner to review.

IV. Open Forum: No individuals addressed the Commission.

V. Discussion/Action Items

A. **INFORMATION:** Youth Commission Announcements & Updates (N. Hoang)
Youth Commission Chair was not present.

B. **INFORMATION: Election of Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Officers (W. Mahaney-Gurahoo)**
The Commission identify, and vote to approve, the Commission Chair and Vice Chair for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Discussion followed. On the motion of Chair Mahaney-Gurahoo, seconded by Commissioner Brown, the Commission unanimously voted for Vice Chair Magaña to continue as Vice Chair for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.
On the motion of Commissioner Ramos, seconded by Commissioner Melillo, the Commission unanimously voted for Chair Mahaney-Gurahoo to continue as Chair Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

C. **INFORMATION: Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Work Plan (W. Mahaney-Gurahoo)**
The commission vote to approve the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Commission Work Plan containing items they wish to focus on in the upcoming year. Discussion followed. On the motion of Commissioner Jolly, seconded by Commissioner Ramos, the Commission voted unanimously to adopt the proposed Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Work Plan with the change of one item Digital Privacy Office to Ad-hoc Filtering Report for August 2022. Vice Chair Magaña and Commissioner Allen not present for the vote.

VI. Council Liaison's Announcements:

City of San José District 8 Council Assistant Mariela Garcia provided an update from Councilmember Arenas' Office.

VII. Chair's Announcements: Looking at budgets for children from county, city, state, and federal level. Gave testimony about the library with the councilmembers

VIII. Library Director's Announcements:

San Jose Public Library Director Jill Bourne shared information about the shooting at Hillview Branch Library on June 6th, 2022. The incident was classified as a gang-related stabbing and shooting involving three individuals: one victim and two suspects. There were no fatalities and suspects have been arrested by the police three days later. No staff or patrons were injured during this event. The staff is being provided with support from the County Behavior Health and The Bill Wilson Center. On-going safety training will be provided to staff.

Director Bourne also announced the Mayor's June budget was passed on June 14th, funding the restoration of Sunday hours for 13 branches to low resource branches. This includes funds for increased library staff, a security personnel, a network technician, and a delivery driver. The library will be looking at data to help select the low resource libraries that will have Sunday hours restored. In addition, the budget will also fund a program to waive fees for seniors.

Bourne announced that this is Commissioner Melillo's last meeting as his term will be ending after this. Visit sjpl.org for more information.

Vice Chair Magaña joined the meeting at 7:24 PM.

IX. Comments and Announcements:

- A. Friend's Groups Comments, Announcements and Updates: Commissioner Kelly shared an update from the Friend's Groups for Bascom, Pearl Avenue, Cambrian Libraries.
- B. Meetings Attended by Commissioners as Commissioners: Commissioner Thorsen attended committee budget meeting specifically with interest in library funding.
- C. San José Public Library Foundation (SJPLF) Board: Commissioner Thorsen provided an update on behalf of the Library Foundation. Commissioner More information about Resilience Corps Program can be found here: <https://www.sjplf.org/resilience-corps-program/>. The foundation is looking to hire, job opportunity information can be found here: <https://www.sjplf.org/job-opportunities/>. Allen joined the meeting at 7:52 PM.

X. Information and Upcoming Opportunities For Commission Participation

See SJPL Program Calendar at <https://www.sjpl.org/>

XI. Items for Future Commission Meeting Agendas

Report on all Commissioner requests for items added to agenda.

XII. Meeting Schedule and Agenda Items

The next regular will be held in-person on August 17th, 2022 at 7:00 PM.

XIII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

WENDI MAHANEY-GURAHOO, Chair
San José Public Library
and Education Commission

ATTEST:

LIBRARY AND EDUCATION COMMISSION SECRETARY

ANN GRABOWSKI