
MEETING MINUTES

May 18th, 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, Michael Melillo, Anarita Reyes, Kristen Brown, and Patricia Mendoza

ABSENT: Commissioner Aaron Zisser, Elena Jolly, Janice Allen

STAFF: 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; Program Manager Anh Tran; Senior Librarian Elizabeth Nolan, Paul Wilson, Mark Giannuzzi and Kyle Burkett; Librarians Megan Maloy; Public Information Representative Nancy Macias; Community Programs Administration Lauren Hancock, Adrian McBride, and Samantha Cramer ; Senior Office Specialist Melissa Chheuy; Administrative Assistant Dziem Nguyen

Others: City of San José District 8 Council Assistant Mariela Garcia; City of San José District 3 Youth Commission Chair Nicole Hoang

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

The Library and Education Commission convened at 7:02 PM via Zoom webinar. A quorum was achieved with 9 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 Ramos, seconded by Commissioner Melillo, Commissioner voted unanimously to approve all items on the consent calendar

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)
City of San José District 3 Youth Commission Chair Nicole Hoang shared the results of Annual Teen Survey with the Commission. Discussion followed.

B. **INFORMATION:** Submission of Topics Work Plan FY 22/23 (W. Mahaney-Gurahoo)

The Commission will submit items for the Fiscal year 2022-2023 Commission Work Plan that they wish to focus on the upcoming year. Discussion followed.

- a. Commissioner Kelly stated that he will send his requests for additional workplan items to Ms. Grabowski via email before the June meeting.

C. **INFORMATION: Summer Programming Update (V. Kilambi)**

The Commissioner received an update on the Library's summer learning programs from Vidya Kilambi. Discussion followed.

D. **INFORMATION: Expanded Learning Report (L. Hancock)**

The Commission received an update on the Expanded Learning plan of the Education & Digital Literacy Strategy. Discussion followed.

- a. Commissioner Kelly asked how one becomes a coding volunteer.

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: Chair Mahaney-Gurahoo shared an update on the May Revise and events that she attended as a Commissioner that focused on the well-being of children.

VIII. Library Director's Announcements:

Deputy Library Director of Public Services Michelle Ornat shared an update from the Library. Library add over 4,000 new tech devices in its collection with 2,700 filter wi-fi hotspots and 1,500 new Chromebooks to its youth devices collection. Library announced hours have been expanded at Martin Luther King, Jr. Library, Asian-American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage is this month, and Career Online High School has its 141st graduate from the program. Visit sjpl.org for more information.

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.

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 virtually on August 17th, 2022 at 7:00 PM.

XIII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

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

ATTEST:

LIBRARY AND EDUCATION COMMISSION SECRETARY

ANN GRABOWSKI