

Minutes
Saratoga Library Commission
Regular Meeting
April 24, 2018

Call to Order

Chair Burley called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. in the Saratoga Library at 13650 Saratoga Avenue.

Roll Call

Present: Chair Karen Burley, Vice Chair Flora Hoffman, Commissioner Robert Gulino , Anandi Krishnamurthy, Steven White
Absent: None
Also Present: Nancy Howe, Michael Eitner, Alice Patrick, Elicia Ye, Rita Wang, Crystal Bothelio

Oral Communications on Non-Agendized Items

None

Approval of Minutes

WHITE/KRISHNAMURTHY MOVED TO APPROVE THE DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY 27, 2018 MEETING. MOTION PASSED. AYES: BURLEY, GULINO, HOFFMAN, KRISHNAMURTHY, WHITE. NOES: NONE. ABSTAIN: NONE. ABSENT: NONE.

Agenda Items

1. West Valley College Collaboration

Summary: One of the Library Commission's work plan items includes identifying opportunities to partner with West Valley College, including the 2019 Coral Reef Crochet Project.

Chair Burley provided an update on the efforts to collaborate with West Valley College on the 2019 Coral Reef Crochet Project.

2. Commissioner-Led Events: Junior Achievement

Summary: The Library Commission work plan includes providing support for Library events and program. The Library Commission has been working to support the Library through coordination of events, such as Junior Achievement.

Chair Burley provided an announcement on the Junior Achievement Program, which is expected to run in May.

3. Library Card Promotion: Commissioner Engagement

Summary: The Library Commission has been discussing opportunities to increase the number of residents with library cards and the initiative is included in the Commission's work plan. Strategies identified for increasing the number of residents with library cards includes

volunteering at outreach programs/events and conducting targeted outreach to Monte Sereno residents.

The Library Commission discussed outreach at events to promote library card signups.

4. Library Space Utilization

Summary: Discuss and consider utilization of Saratoga Library space.

The Library Commission discussed the need for meeting space, the space needs of Saratoga Library, and funding for interior space modifications that became available to the Saratoga Library.

5. Community News & Trends

Summary: Share news and trends within the community.

Commissioner Gulino suggested future programming on cryptocurrency and shared that he would be attending an event on robotics. He also noted interest in sustainability.

Vice Chair Hoffman also suggested another topic of interest could include social media privacy and manipulation or selling of personal data.

Reports

1. Nancy Howe, Santa Clara County Librarian

County Librarian Nancy Howe reported on Food for Fines, passport services, the upcoming Joint Powers Authority meeting, the proposed budget, the Library staff development day, and Silicon Valley reads.

2. Michael Eitner, Saratoga Community Librarian

Community Librarian Michael Eitner reported on recent Library events, the new Library gate counter, the Public Library Association Conference in Philadelphia, upcoming programs in May, and potential volunteer projects.

3. Alice Patrick, Friends of the Saratoga Libraries

Friends of the Saratoga Libraries President Alice Patrick shared information about participation at City events, Board nominations, bylaw changes, a recent Friends' speaker event, and selection of the Go Go Biblio colors and fonts.

4. Saratoga Library Teen Advisory Board

Teen Advisory Board Members Elicia Ye and Rita Wang shared information about recent Teen Advisory Board events.

5. Karen Burley, Library Commission Chair

Chair Burley provided a recap of the Commission Work Plan Study Session in March.

6. Crystal Bothelio, Saratoga Deputy City Manager

Deputy City Manager Crystal Bothelio announced the City of Saratoga's Youth in Government program, Arbor Day, the Saratoga Safety Fair, and RYDE.

Summarize Action Items

None

Agenda Items for Next Meeting – June 26, 2018

No additional items

Adjournment

Chair Burley adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted:

Crystal Bothelio, Deputy City Manager
City of Saratoga