

CITY OF SANTA MONICA LIBRARY BOARD



Minutes of the SPECIAL Meeting of November 8, 2017 To Be Approved

Call to Order	A SPECIAL meeting of the Santa Monica Library Board was called to order by Chair, Marc Morgenstern, at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at the Main Library, Administrative Conference Room, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., Santa Monica.
Roll Call	<p>PRESENT: Chair Marc Morgenstern, Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon and Boardmember Naomi Seligman</p> <p>ABSENT: Boardmember Victor Davich</p> <p>ALSO PRESENT: Patty Wong, Director of Library Services; Rachel Foyt, Senior Administrative Analyst; Susan Lamb, Acting Principal Librarian for Reference Services; Henry Servin; Parking and Traffic Manager</p>
Public Input	None
Approval of the Library Board Minutes October 5, 2017	<p>Motion by Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, seconded by Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon to approve the minutes of the Library Board meeting of October 5, 2017. The motion was approved by the following vote:</p> <p>AYES: Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon and Boardmember Naomi Seligman</p> <p>NOES: None</p> <p>ABSTAINING: Chair Marc Morgenstern</p> <p>ABSENT: Boardmember Victor Davich</p>
Approval of the Library Board Minutes October 14, 2017	<p>Motion by Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, seconded by Boardmember Naomi Seligman to approve the minutes of the special Library Board meeting of October 14, 2017. The motion was approved by the following vote:</p> <p>AYES: Chair Marc Morgenstern, Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon and Boardmember Naomi Seligman</p> <p>NOES: None</p>

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Boardmember Victor Davich

**Presentation from
Parking
Management – How
Thoughtful Pricing
Affects Driver
Behavior and
Encourages
Broader Mobility
Options**

Henry Servin, Parking and Traffic Manager spoke to the Library Board about the proposal of new parking management strategies based on recent analyses of parking data that would affect all downtown parking, including the Santa Monica Public Library parking structure.

He asked the Board to provide feedback on the proposal before the end of the year. The Board requested staff agendaize an item for discussion at the December 7, 2017 Library Board meeting.

Secretary's Report

Patty Wong, Director of Library Services highlighted items in her Secretary's Report which included the following:

- Update on Library Capital Improvement Projects
- Update on Library Services and Programs: enhanced services for people experiencing homelessness
- Library staffing, vacancies, and conference attendances
- Update on Library Partners: WISE & Healthy Aging, Santa Monica History Museum
- Update of the Friends of the Santa Monica Public Library
- Update of the Library Foundation
- Library Facilities and Equipment: Technology Plan, restroom access, new owners of the Bookmark Café
- Library Safety and Security

**Discussion and
Approval of a
Library Board Task
Force on
Homelessness**

Motion by Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, seconded by Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon to approve the formation of a Library Board task force on homelessness. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Marc Morgenstern, Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon and Boardmember Naomi Seligman

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Boardmember Victor Davich

**Discussion of
Library Board
Goals as
Developed During
the October 14,**

The Board discussed their priorities developed at the October 14 Library Board retreat.

- Library patron experience

**2017 Library Board
Retreat**

- Homelessness
- Review of the Library program philosophy and priorities
- Library Board development
- Friends of the Library and the Library Foundation of Santa Monica development

**Receive Report
from Staff and
Library Board
Discussion of
Additional Library
Hours Per the
October 14, 2017
Library Board
Discussion**

Motion by Boardmember Naomi Seligman, seconded by Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles to accept the Library staff's report on additional Library hours specifically supporting a presentation to City Council that recommends Sunday open hours at the Pico Branch Library. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Marc Morgenstern, Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon and Boardmember Naomi Seligman

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Boardmember Victor Davich

The next step is for Library staff to draft a staff report focusing on the Library Board's preferred option of opening Sunday hours at the Pico Branch Library.

**Receive Report and
Recommendations
From Staff on
Elimination of
Youth Fines Per the
October 14, 2017
Library Board
Discussion**

Motion by Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, seconded by Boardmember Naomi Seligman to endorse the report recommendation from Library staff and recommend the elimination of fines for youth 0-18 years of age. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Marc Morgenstern, Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon and Boardmember Naomi Seligman

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Boardmember Victor Davich

**Vote to Instruct
Staff to Submit a
Resolution to City
Council Increasing
Library Board From
5 to 7 Members**

Motion by Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, seconded by Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon that the City Council instruct the staff to take the proper action to increase the Library Board from five to seven members. The motion was approved by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Marc Morgenstern, Vice Chair Lucien Plauzoles, Boardmember Kathleen Sheldon and Boardmember Naomi Seligman

NOES: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: Boardmember Victor Davich

Board Discussion of Nationwide Current Library Trends and Review of Library Journal Articles

The Board discussed the academic journal publishing field.

Reports from Library Boardmembers on Their Attendance at Library Programs or on Feedback from the Community

No report.

What Are You Reading?

The Board shares what books they are reading, what music they are listening to, or movies they are watching.

Future Agenda Items

The Board would like to include in a future agenda: a dialogue with the City Attorney Lane Dilg; an update on the Santa Monica History Museum; a discussion of parking concerns at the Main Library and a recommendation to City Parking Management; and tie ins to the 2028 Olympics.

Adjournment

On the order of the Chair, Marc Morgenstern, the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

Patricia Wong
Library Director

Marc Morgenstern
Library Board Chair

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