

**Minutes  
LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD  
Wednesday, November 6, 2019**

Minutes of the LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD recorded at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, November 6, 2019, within the Tempe Public Library Second-Floor Conference Room; 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ.

**(MEMBERS) Present:**

Christopher Watts (Chair)  
Carrie Taylor (Vice-Chair)  
Marissa Dailey  
Marie Brown  
Felicia Durden  
Chris Sar

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

Joaquin Rios

**City Staff Present:**

Rachael Brickner, Sr. Management Assistant - Community Services Administration  
Kathy Husser, Deputy Community Services Director - Library Services Division

**General Public Present:**

Ryan Sar

**Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order:**

- Christopher Watts, Library Advisory Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

**Agenda Item 2 - Call to the Audience:**

- Kathy Husser, Deputy Community Services Director - Library Services Division, introduced Ryan Sar and welcomed him to the meeting.
- There were no public comments.

**Agenda Item 3 - Approval of the October 2, 2019, Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes:**  
**APPROVED**

- Christopher Watts, Library Advisory Board (Board) Chair, asked the Board members to review the unapproved Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes document dated October 2, 2019.
  - No edits noted or requested.

**MOTION:** Chris Sar moved to approve the October 2, 2019, Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes as presented.

**SECOND:** Felicia Durden seconded.

**DECISION:** Motion approved, 6-0.

**Ayes:** Christopher Watts (Chair), Carrie Taylor (Vice-Chair), Marie Brown, Marissa Dailey, Felicia Durden, Chris Sar

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** Joaquin Rios

**Agenda Item 4 - Friends of the Tempe Public Library Report:**

- No report.

**Agenda Item 5 - Staff Report:**

- Kathy Husser expressed gratitude towards the Friends of the Tempe Public Library (Library) for its generous donation of \$44,000 to complete the Friends Puppet Theater within the Caitlin Benson Corner of the Library's Youth Services area, the Youth Pueblo Playhouse Story Time Room (Story Time Room), and for the purchase of new Tween (middle-school-age youth; nine to 12-years-old) furniture for the Youth Library.
  - Kathy praised the Friends and explained that the Friends had previously donated \$13,800 to remodel the Youth Services area; funds were utilized for the purchase of a new youth public services desk and for the removal of the pony wall within the Library's lower-level lobby area.
  - Kathy acknowledged the need for additional security and sight lines for the Youth Services' Tween space, a new community art gallery within the lower-level lobby, and the addition of an inclusive, sensory-sensitive component (puppet theater) near the Story Time Room.
  - Kathy added that all work should be complete in April 2020 before the start date of National Library Week.
- Kathy reported that the Library played host to its annual *Book Festival* from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on November 2.
  - Kathy confirmed that the event was well-attended, and included book signings, author talks, activities for children, and was moderated by local media weather personality, Dave Munsey.
  - Kathy further reported that more than 55 booths were set-up within the Library's outdoor Plencner Plaza area.
- Kathy announced that *Food for Fines* will occur from November 10 to 30, 2019.
- Kathy further announced that the installation of new security cameras at the Library will begin in January 2020; Kathy explained that more than 50 cameras will replace the current models inside and outside of the Library building.
- Kathy reminded the Board members that the election of Library Advisory Board (Board) officers specific to the 2020 calendar year will occur at the upcoming Board meeting on December 4.

**Agenda Item 6 - 2019 Library Advisory Board Report Review: APPROVED**

- Kathy Husser presented the 2019 Library Advisory Board (Board) Report to the Board members for further review and approval consideration.
- Kathy explained that the review of the report was open to all edits and suggestions from the Board members.
- Kathy acknowledged the addition of goals to the report as they relate to Tempe City Council Strategic Priorities.

**MOTION:** Chris Sar moved to approve the 2019 Library Advisory Board Report as presented.

**SECOND:** Marie Brown seconded.

**DECISION:** Motion approved, 6-0.

**Ayes:** Christopher Watts (Chair), Carrie Taylor (Vice-Chair), Marie Brown, Marissa Dailey, Felicia Durden, Chris Sar

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** Joaquin Rios

**Agenda Item 7 - Member Announcements/Future Agenda Items**

- Kathy Husser thanked the Library Advisory Board (Board) members for attending the meeting and confirmed that the next Board meeting is scheduled to occur on December 4.
- Kathy reminded the Board members that the Tempe Public Library (Library) Youth Services team will present the Library's Strategic Priority Measure 3.33 of enhancing Quality of Life through Literacy Engagement at 2:30 p.m. on November 14 at *Tempe Accelerates* scheduled to occur within the Community Room at the Tempe History Museum. Kathy invited the Board members to attend the presentation.

**Agenda Item 8 - Adjournment**

- Christopher Watts (Chair) adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

The next meeting date and location of the Library Advisory Board is scheduled at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4, 2019, within the Community Services Department Second-Floor Conference Room; Tempe Public Library, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ.

Prepared by: Rachael Brickner

Reviewed by: Kathy Husser

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Approval Signature: Library Advisory Board Member