

LARKSPUR LIBRARY BOARD
Minutes of Regular Meeting- March 14, 2016

Roll Call: Present: Chair Joan Foley, Michele Melka, Noel Shumway
Jeanette Giacomini

Absent: Jeff Gunderson

Staff: Acting Director Teresa Capasso

Chair Foley called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

The Library Director certifies that this Agenda has been posted in accordance with the requirements of the Government Code

Approval of Minutes as Submitted: Regular Meeting, February 8, 2016

M/s, Giacomini-Giacomini and approved 4-0 (Gunderson absent) to approve the Consent Calendar as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments.

BOARDMEMBER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Boardmember Shumway asked if the Library is back to its regular hours during the continued building remodel. Acting Library Director Capasso stated "yes, today." She noted that it was nice to be back to the regular schedule and patrons appreciate those evening hours. Boardmember Shumway stated that the new windows look nice.

Library Director's Oral Report

Acting Library Director Capasso reported there would be two Library Bonds on the June ballot – one for the San Rafael Library (a continuation with a small increase on the Parcel Tax), and one for the College of Marin. She discussed CENIC – high speed internet access for libraries and schools. Grants were offered through the State Library system and a representative from MARINet applied on behalf of all the MARINet libraries. Funds were granted several weeks ago and they are on board with CENIC. The library would eventually switch from the Internet connection through the County and onto CENIC, with a new, high speed, bigger band-width connection. Access and

streaming capabilities will be much more efficient and faster. Wireless will be included. She stated this year was the 25th Anniversary of MARINet as an organization – Larkspur joined in 1999 or 2000. There will be a passport created for each patron and each library would have a stamp created for patrons to collect. She reported MARINet adopted a new catalog called Bibliocommons which will launch in late summer. It will look very different and would incorporate ebooks and have social media aspects built into it. She reported a new Library Website is coming; it is in the preproduction stage. It should be launched around March 22nd. She will send the Board members the link.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Any updates on next steps for LLCC

Acting Director Capasso stated that she did not have anything new to report. The City Council will be reviewing the matter at its first meeting in April.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Discuss inviting City Council Liaison to Library Board to future meeting.

Acting Director Capasso stated Councilmember Kevin Haroff was the liaison to the Board. Boardmember Shumway asked Acting Director Capasso to invite Councilmember Haroff to the next meeting. Acting Director Capasso stated she would also invite the two LLCC subcommittee members, Councilmembers Chu and Hilmer.

STATUS REPORTS:

1. Reports from the Library's Support Groups (Friends, Foundation, and Steering Committee)

Acting Library Director Capasso stated The Friends would be included in the tribute to Frances Gordon and are creating a separate fund for donations. They are thinking about things to do in memory of Ms. Gordon.

Boardmember Melka stated she would like the Board to participate in this year's 4th of July Parade and perhaps in conjunction with one of the support groups. Chair Foley stated that was a great idea since it provided good visibility for the current and future library. Boardmember Melka stated she would be happy to help coordinate. Acting Library Director Capasso stated she has participated in the past and they need to submit an application through the Corte Madera Chamber of Commerce. The earlier they register, the better.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Foley stated the following items would be on the next agenda: 1) Update on the

next steps for LLCC; 2) Possible participation in 4th of July Parade; 3) Library in Transition; 4) Board calendar; 5) Ideas for some type of tribute/dedication for Frances Gordon; 6) Summer schedule (vacations, etc.).

NEXT MEETING DATE

Chair Foley stated the next meeting would be held on Monday, April 11, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Foley adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Toni DeFrancis
Recording Secretary

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing minutes were duly and regularly adopted at a regular meeting of the Larkspur Library Board.



Dick Whitley, Acting Library Director