

THE ONTARIO CITY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
OVITT FAMILY COMMUNITY LIBRARY
3850 East Riverside Dr.
Lewis Family Branch Meeting Room
February 11, 2020
(Subject to Board approval)

CALL TO ORDER Vice President Ocegueda called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The flag was unavailable to conduct the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL Board members Ann Palicki, Daisy Ocegueda, and Irene Chisholm all present.

ABSENT Motion: moved by Board members to excuse Nancy Bumstead and Rachel Carmona

ALSO PRESENT Shawn Thrasher, Director; Courtney Saldana, Assistant Director

INTRODUCTIONS
There were no introductions

MINUTES
Motion: Moved by Palicki, seconded by Chisholm and unanimously carried to approve the January 14, 2020 minutes with some minor corrections.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
There were no public comments.

CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE
City Council Representative Debra Dorst-Porada present but had no comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR
Monthly Statistical Report for December 2019
Library Services Report for December 2019

Motion: Moved by Palicki, seconded by Chisholm and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Calendar for February 11, 2020.

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Library Director Shawn Thrasher provided information on State of the City, scheduled for March 6, 2020. Shawn will talk more about the State of the City at next meeting. He reminded the board members of the upcoming Community Conversations with the Architects scheduled for Ovitt and Lewis Libraries. Shawn ended by mentioning the success of the Veterans JVS (Jobs Vision Success).

STAFF REPORT

Teen Book Fest

Librarian Danielle Sanchez from Lewis Branch Library provided a presentation on the Teen Book Fest. The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 4th at Colony High beginning at 9:00 am. Danielle provided a brief summary of what Teen Book Fest (TBF) is all about. This year is the 10th year of TBF and they are using the tag line "Cheers to 10 years". Danielle talked about the marketing aspects of getting the word out. They are getting posters, postcards and flyers printed to send out to High Schools in California and mailers to libraries and Librarians as well. There is also a Facebook page and bookstores who will be marketing TBF. She provided a scenario of how the day will be scheduled with keynote speakers, morning and afternoon breakout sessions, lunch, speed dating, and concluding with book signing. She talked about how Colony High School has been helpful in supporting TBF with the use of their facility to host the event. She provided information on how volunteers, volunteens and staff assist with the logistics. Danielle provided author and attendee statistics for the last 10 years. She ended the presentation with a brief summary of the authors invited to this year's event and where the funds come from to put on the event.

Easy Access Cards

Library Director Shawn Thrasher provided a presentation on Easy Access Cards. Shawn described each card currently available by the Library for its users. He provided percentages explaining how library cards are distributed among adults, teens, juveniles and internet only users. He explained how the easy access card would allow customers to check out items avoiding the issue of not having current or updated information. He explained the limitations of the card. Stating what would not be allowed to be checked out with the easy access card. Shawn provided some information regarding other libraries that currently have similar processes to allow for quick use of the library's resources.

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Census 2020

Library Director Shawn Thrasher provided a presentation on the 2020 Census. Shawn first detailed the background of the Census. He explained the goal of the Census is to achieve an accurate count in 2020. Libraries are preparing for the Census and partnering with other organizations to reach out to populations that are hard to count. Shawn explained how the Census count results are used for multiple purposes including how billions of dollars in government funding is allocated for services in the communities around the United States. He explained how the Census counts are useful in grant writing that has funded some of the library's programs like Lunch at the Library, Lightspeed, Little Learners, Brain Building Backpacks, Mental Health training and backpacks and National Endowment of Arts grants. Shawn explained the how important it is to get the count right since the Census only happens every 10 years. If people are missed, communities are at a disadvantage economically and politically. This limits the funding available for programs in neighborhoods where under counted groups were missed. He talked about the groups that are missed due to not knowing who should be counted. He provided information on when the Census will begin, methods to respond, follow-ups and how the library will be using their resources to help. Shawn ended his presentation talking about the Lampkin Foundation and how they will be assisting in the Census counting.

Mental Health Backpacks

Assistant Library Director Courtney Saldana provided a presentation on Mental Health Backpack Kits. She gave a brief summary of how the American Library Association realized that mental health was something that needed to be looked at. In 2018 and 2019 the library was awarded a grant from the California State Library to provide training to all full-time agency staff, including the Museum, Recreation and Library. The training involved two digital sessions and then a four-hour training from a social service worker who works full-time at the Denver Public Library. Courtney talked about how the grant offered to provide ten mental health kits that would be available to the public. She talked about how the kits will be used, the wide range of topics, instructions and the date when they will be available.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business to discuss

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BOARD COMMENTS

Board member Palicki share her thoughts on the Sam Maloof display and event at the Museum. Board member Chisholm wanted to thank all those who attend the grand opening of the little free library. She mentioned an upcoming Dr Seuss event. She wanted to make a couple of recommendations. She asked if we could advertise on a neighborhood hub, utilizing their connection with the public. She would like to recommend working with the school to rearrange the pre-school area at Lewis Branch. She would like to have a way to get reference information that is presented at Board meetings available digitally or through some portal access.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No future agenda items to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President Ocegueda adjourned the meeting at 6:54pm.

Respectively Submitted

Michael Sandoz on behalf of Nancy Morales
Nancy Morales, Administrative Assistant

APPROVED:

Rachel Carmona on behalf of Rachel
RACHEL CARMONA, PRESIDENT Carmency