

THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 28TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2009 AT 5:00 P.M. AT THE CARNEGIE TECHNOLOGY CENTER, 420 HEBER AVENUE, CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA. THE DATE, HOUR, AND PLACE DULY ESTABLISHED FOR HOLDING SUCH SAID MEETING.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m. by president DeNecochea.

ROLL CALL

Trustee present:

Margarita DeNecochea
Norberto Nuñez
Gaspar Cuevas
Armida Romero

Trustee absent:

Jeanette Chew (excused)

Community Services Director:

Sandra Tauler

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The flag salute was dispensed with because the room did not have a flag.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

On motion by Trustee Romero, seconded by Vice-President Nuñez and passed unanimously, the agenda was approved as delivered.

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Vice-President Nuñez, seconded by Trustee Cuevas and passed unanimously, the following items listed on the consent agenda were approved: minutes for the regular meeting held on September 30, 2009; ratification of purchase orders for the month of October 2009; ratification of demands for the month of October 2009; and the monthly statistical report for the month of September, 2009.

ACCEPTANCE OF GET INVOLVED: POWERED BY YOUR LIBRARY 2010 INSTITUTE GRANT

Ms. Tauler reported that the Library was awarded a grant which will help cover the costs to train the Library staff on how to recruit volunteers.

2009/10 CALIFORNIA LIBRARY SERVICES ACT REIMBURSEMENT RATES

Ms. Tauler explained that the California State Library reimburses the Camarena Library for loaning books to schools and libraries. This year the State Library will pay \$5.99 for every eligible inter-library loan transaction, and \$1.20 for every direct loan. In previous years, the Camarena Library has received up to \$50,000 through these programs. This year the amount of books being borrowed has been very low due to the schools current curriculum.

ADOPT VISION STATEMENT & GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Ms. Tauler stated that the Library does not currently have a vision statement or guiding principles. Examples were given out in the agenda packet. Ms. Tauler recommended the Trustees review the examples for discussion at a later meeting.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

- The Library did not receive the Family Place grant that they had applied for. This grant would have provided staff with training in how to develop a family space. However, the Library will still make changes in the children's area. Ms. Tauler stated that pre-literacy is very important and that the most important stages of brain development happen between the ages of 0-5. The Library has purchased some furniture especially for pre-school aged children to place in the children's area.
- The Library had 50 children participate in the Read for the Record event held on Thursday, October 8, 2009. Read for the Record is a nationwide event where preschool children all read the same book on the same day. Ms. Tauler stated that she received some ideas from other libraries and plans on modifying the program for next year. She would like to go out to the pre-schools in Calexico and have the teachers read the book to their students on that day to increase participation.
- 170 children attended this year's Halloween RIF, held on Monday, October 26, 2009. The children all came dressed in their Halloween costumes, and the staff also wore costumes.
- Ms. Tauler reported that the Carnegie Technology Center is receiving up to 50 visitors a day. Ms. Tauler resent the Carnegie Flyer and asked the Board members to help spread the word about the Carnegie schedule. A lot of the public still do not know that it's open.
- The Cultural Art Center is going to re-open. The Calexico Chamber of Commerce will not be moving in. The programs previously offered at the Cultural Arts Center will resume. The La Ronda Senior

Citizen Club will be renting the center once a month to host their dances.

INFORMATION

Items included:

NEW BOOKLIST FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

TEEN READ WEEK BOOKLET

HALLOWEEN RIF FLYER

FFL OCTOBER FLYER

LET'S R.E.A.D. FLYER

WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, THE MEETING WAS
ADJOURNED AT 5:30 P.M.

Next regular meeting will be WEDNESDAY, November 25, 2009