

THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 27TH DAY OF MAY 2009 AT 5:00 P.M. AT CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY, 850 ENCINAS 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 Vice President Nuñez

ROLL CALL

Trustees present:

Margarita De Necochea
Norberto Nuñez
Gaspar Cuevas
Armida Romero
Jeannette Chew

Community Services Director:

Sandra Tauler

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Trustee Cuevas.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

On motion by Trustee Cuevas, seconded by Trustee Romero and passed unanimously, the agenda was approved as delivered.

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion by Trustee Romero, seconded by Trustee Cuevas and passed unanimously, the following items listed on the consent agenda were approved: minutes for the regular meeting held on March 25, 2009; ratification of purchase orders for the months of April & May; ratification of demands for the months of April & May 2009; monthly statistical report for the months of March & April 2009.

MOU FOR LEARN IMPERIAL VALLEY

Ms. Tauler informed the Library Board that LEARN is a synonym for Library Empower All 2 Read Now. LEARN Imperial Valley is made up of City Libraries in the Valley and the Imperial County Free Library. In order to be able to work with the County a MOU is needed. LEARN IV focuses on tutoring adults in English. Living in a border community, there is a strong demand for English classes and tutorials for adults who are looking to improve their English skills. Each learner is assessed and their lesson plans are based on those assessments and tailored to fit their needs. Sometimes this includes teaching computer skills.

President De Necochea asked how bad adult illiteracy is in the Imperial Valley. Ms. Tauler stated that she could not give her an exact figure, but just at the Camarena Library there are 30 plus students and more than that on the waiting list. The Library is constantly looking for more tutors.

President De Necochea asked if volunteers, including High School students, where used as tutors. Ms. Tauler replied that all tutors, except for two are volunteers. Ms. Tauler also replied that although there is a High School students who is currently a tutor, it is very hard for High School students to be tutors. The reason being that being a tutor involves putting in a lot of hours and keeping a constant schedule with their learners. This is usually hard for a High School student to do, especially if they are involved in after school activities.

REVIEW CALTAC BOARD TRAINING

President De Necochea stated that she was very pleased with the training. The environment was very comfortable and the speaker was not boring at all.

Ms. Tauler stated that the main focus of the training seemed to be getting the Library Board involved with the City Council. President De Necochea stated that the City Council does not attend any of the Library Board meetings, and that they should attend City Council meetings to show the Council that the programs that the Library has are very important to the community.

Trustee Romero asked about revising the mission statement. Ms. Tauler replied that it will be an item on next month's agenda.

CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY STAFF TRAINING FY 2008-2009

3RD QUARTERLY REPORT

Ms. Tauler stated that this report shows the different training that staff have had. Ms. Tauler believes that it is important to constantly have some type of training that will help the Library staff grow and learn new things.

SUMMER FAMILY READING PROGRAM 2009

Ms. Tauler explained that the Summer Family Reading Program will start June 22nd. The SFRP lasts for six weeks. There is something for everyone, all ages. The summer program booklet comes in both English and Spanish. All the activities for the summer are listed in the booklet. The program is also offered at the branch and the activities are usually the same. This year there is an activity everyday for elementary age school children, and junior high and high school students have activities twice a week. There are two book clubs for adults. One in English and one in Spanish. There is also a poetry club for adults, and a scrapbooking club for adults. Everything is free except for the scrapbooking club. There will be fee of \$50 to join the scrapbooking club. This is to cover materials, and it is for six weeks.

Ms. Tauler reported that so far Wal-Mart and State Farm have donated \$1,000 each for the summer reading program. The Library is also asking local businesses to donate coupons to use as incentives for the summer program.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

- Ms. Tauler asked the Board members to help promote the use of Live Homework Help at the Library. The number of patrons who use the program outside of the Library is good, but the number of patrons who use it at the Library is very low.
- Ms. Tauler explained that every week there are more patrons who are going to the Carnegie and using the computers. Ms. Tauler hopes to open more hours in the new fiscal year.

INFORMATION

Items included:

NEW BOOKLIST FOR THE MONTHS OF MARCH & APRIL
FFL FLYER FOR MAY

ACTIVITY CALENDAR FOR THE MONTHS OF APRIL & MAY
CIRCUS RIF FLYER
FIESTA MEXICANA FLYER
TEEN MOVIE NIGHT FLYER
TEEN PREGNANCY FLYER
CITY'S BIGGEST COFFEE TASTING FLYER

WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO DISCUSS, THE MEETING WAS
ADJOURNED AT 5:58 P.M.

Next Regular Meeting will be WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2009