



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA  
LIBRARY BOARD  
MINUTES**

**Thursday, January 14, 2021**

**12:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Milt Hess called the meeting to order at 12:01 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

Board Members present: Milt Hess, Will Tomlinson, Mackenzie Wildman, Margaret Crocco, Leslie Dinaberg

Board Members absent: NA

City Council Liaison: Eric Friedman

**WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

Discussion: The Library Board welcomed its two newest Members, Margaret Crocco and Leslie Dinaberg, and made introductions.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – of November 12, 2020**

*Recommendation: That the Library Board waive the reading and approve the minutes of Thursday, November 12, 2020.*

Motion: Board Members Will Tomlinson/Mackenzie Wildman to approve the minutes of Thursday, November 12, 2020.

Vote: Unanimous roll call vote.

**ACTION:** The Library Board approved the recommendation.

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None were made.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Comment from the public: Anne Howard, welcoming the new Board Members on behalf of the Santa Barbara Public Library Foundation.

**LIBRARY SUPPORT ACTIVITIES**

Santa Barbara Public Library Foundation

Discussion: The Library Board received an update from the Foundation Director, Lauren Trujillo, about what the Foundation has been working on, including supporting the SB Reads 2020 Author Event and progress made in the Library Plaza Campaign. The Foundation has established leadership committees for the Library Plaza Campaign and is offering virtual presentations and tours with the Library Director.

## NEW BUSINESS

### 1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

*Recommendation: That the Library Board elect a Chair and Vice Chair for 2021.*

Public Comment: None were made.

Motion 1: Board Members Mackenzie Wildman/Will Tomlinson to re-elect Milt Hess as Chair.

Vote 1: Unanimous roll call vote.

Motion 2: Board Members Will Tomlinson/Leslie Dinaberg to elect Mackenzie Wildman as Vice Chair.

Vote 2: Unanimous roll call vote.

**ACTION:** The Library Board elected Milt Hess as Chair and Mackenzie Wildman as Vice Chair for 2021.

### 2. Collection Development Update

*Recommendation: That the Library Board receive an update on Collection Development and the Library's Collection Development Policy.*

Speaker: Beate Bjoerklund, Collection Development Librarian

Discussion: The Library Board received an overview on Collection Development at the Library and the Library's Collection Development Policy, including the various types of materials and resources the Library provides, purchasing and weeding criteria, and trends in the Library's current Collection Budget.

Public Comment: None were made.

**ACTION:** The Library Board received an update on Collection Development and the Library's Collection Development Policy.

## LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### 3. Building and Grounds

*Recommendation: That the Library Board receive the monthly Library Director's Report, Building and Grounds.*

Speaker: Jessica Cadiente, Library Director

Discussion: The Library Board received the Library Director's Report on Building and Grounds. With the season change, the Library chose to move its Sidewalk Service indoors, rebranding the service as Grab and Go and adding a more extensive browsing component with small, curated collections in the Faulkner Gallery. All staff continue to report to work to serve the community at all Library locations and security has been hired and is staffing all Grab and Go hours at the downtown

Central Library. Construction drawings for the Library Plaza are currently with Building and Safety, who have suggested some changes in order to better adhere to ADA guidelines. The final renderings for the fencing design for the Anapamu St. side of the Library have been completed and once they are received, the Library Director intends to use them to create a fencing design that will be taken to HLC. Construction drawings for the Lower Level Staff Area are at 90% completion and the elevator project is currently at Building and Safety as well, with the first round of comments having been received and being returned during the first week of February.

Public Comment: None were made.

**ACTION:** The Library Board received the Library Director's Report on Building and Grounds.

#### 4. Programs

*Recommendation: That the Library Board receive the monthly Library Director's Report, Programs.*

Speaker: Jessica Cadiente, Library Director

Discussion: The Library Board received an update on the Library's efforts to move to a new standalone Integrated Library System (ILS) and the Library Director's Report on Programs. The Library has paused its ILS migration, with a new target date of July, 2022, and is working with the Black Gold Cooperative and the County to explore available alternative options. With the new stay-at-home order, the Library suspended all in-person programming but continues to provide virtual programming and services, including preschool storytimes, the OG Readers program, Book Match, and distribution of craft kits for early learning experiences. SB Reads 2020 was a success and interviews of the final applicants for Local Author Day have been held, with announcements of scheduled events and workshops forthcoming. Adult Education and SBPL Works! continues to train tutors, pair students, and work with clients, with SBPL Works! adding Chromebooks and hotspots to the resources they provide.

Public Comment: None were made.

**ACTION:** The Library Board received the Library Director's Report on Programs.

### FINANCIAL

#### 5. Budget Update

*Recommendation: That the Library Board accept the financial status of the Library as of December 31, 2020.*

Speaker: Jessica Cadiente, Library Director

Discussion: As of December 31, 2020, the Library is at 50% of the year in and annual expenditures are at 43%.

Public Comment: None were made.

**ACTION:** The Library Board accepted the financial status of the Library as of December 31, 2020.

### BOARD AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

## **6. Library Board Member Updates**

Discussion: The Library Board discussed their personal experiences using the Library's Grab and Go service.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Children's Internet Protection Act Compliance

Adult Education Update

Digital Resources Review

**Next Regular Meeting:** Thursday, February 11, 2021 at 12:00 PM, GoToWebinar

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Milt Hess adjourned the meeting at 1:27 PM.