

**PALM SPRINGS LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 20TH 2022
MEETING MINUTES**

Present: Chairman Michelle Dunlap, Board Members, Robin Hughes, Karen Gebo, Lenore DiRienzo, Enrico DiRienzo, Administrative Assistant Claudia Ruiz, and Children's Librarian Karen Garcia.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Chairman Michelle Dunlap.

Approval of Agenda

Robin Hughes made motion to approve. Karen Gebo seconded the motion; the motion carried.

Minutes

Karen Gebo made motion to approve Robin Hughes seconded the motion; motion carried.

Library Director's Report

- We welcome Rick DiRienzo to the Board.
- Library Technical Supervisor retired after 41 years serving. Position will be posted next week due to some changes made to the position requirements.
- Summer Recap:

We had a successful summer camp, and we had a great number of attendees, we opened it to the campers that were here. Some Stats 14 programs for ages 12-18 with a total of 240 attendees, 5 programs for ages 6-11 with 163 attendees, 11 programs for all ages with 556 Attendees, 8 programs for preschoolers with 325 attendees, and 25 programs for adults with 264 attendees.

We had a Father's Day program where Tacos al Carbon donated the food, and the participants built a toolbox that were donated by Home Depot. We hosted an SRP Kick-off Party with an Illusionist, and the end of program Foam Party. These programs were much fun and enjoyed by the children.

Teen Volunteers were a huge help during these busy times, and they helped to prepare the craft for the weekly bilingual Storytime's and summer programs. An appreciation lunch was held for the Teen Volunteers as well.

- Emergency Staff Door entrance was completed.
- Staff area is now completed, with fresh paint, new flooring, and office furniture.
- A new Awe computer was purchased for the children's' area. This new computer has an upgraded program that was more advanced gaming for the kids.
- We are currently interviewing for the third part-time position.
- We hosted another Author Visit in August and welcomed Author Kent Politsch. Other libraries attended the event as well as patrons.
- First Back to School Bash about 320 people attended. The Village departments participated in a back-to-school drive challenge. Staff attended the schools on their Meet the Teacher Day to give out the school supplies.
- Another Super Smash Brother Tournament event was held, and we find the same individual winning the tournaments. This event is always very fun for the youth.

- No charge for resident library cards is in the renewed agreement that was signed by the library director with PBC Library Cooperative.
- Second hearing of the budget is this Thursday, for next fiscal year.
- The Library Director, the Children’s Librarian, and the Community Policing Captain were invited to celebrate 30 years of the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration which was a great networking event. There is another networking event we will attend next Wednesday evening and it will be the Hispanic Heritage Awards Celebration at the Hilton. Staff is getting more involved with the Hispanic Chambers of commerce and other community events.
- The Children’s librarian has attended an entrepreneurship training. The library now has an entrepreneur corner. We have a self-pace guided course that is available for patrons to use, where they can input their ideas and see if its worth of pursuing.
- The library staff has been working closely with the Village Manager to push out our first community Survey. We want to hear from the community and what we can improve on.
- Planning of the Village Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration is underway, and the library will hold a celebration here at the library as well on October 8th.
- The Village is celebrating the 65th Anniversary this event may take place October 27th.
- Read for the Record will take place October 27th and we will be going to the elementary schools to read and daycares. A Read for the Record Event will also take place that day outside the library at 5:00pm
- New Village logo. Green and Purple are the new colors.
- Friends is having their election meeting in October to elect new officers and members. Date to be determined.
- English for Families session has started up again. We are adverting this program on Facebook live and schools, e-mail blast and giving out flyers.
- Lenore asked about the Café project, and we told her that it is in the Budget2023, and it is still a project to look out for. AS well as the Studio room.
- **Unfinished Business**
N/A

New Business

- a.) Hispanic Heritage Event
- b.) English for Families
- c.) Children’s Computer stations

Miscellaneous

- a.) Village 65th Anniversary Celebration
- b.) New village Logo
- c.) Village Survey
- d.) Friends of the Library meeting

Public Comment

N/A

Next Meeting

Next meeting will be October 18th, 2022, at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment

Lenore DiRienzo motion to adjourn meeting. Robin Hughes seconded motion: meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Library Administrative Assistant