

MINUTES

City of Orange

Orange Public Library Board of Trustees

October 18, 2021

1. OPENING/CALL TO ORDER

Chair Martinez called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Trustee Freeman.

1.2 ROLL CALL

Trustee Calvert arrived at 3:47 p.m.

Present: Martinez, Huber, Freeman, Calvert, and Valencia

Absent: None

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of meeting minutes of the Orange Public Library Board of Trustees for the September 20, 2021, Regular Meeting.

A motion was made by Trustee Freeman, seconded by Vice Chair Huber, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Martinez, Huber, Freeman, Calvert, and Valencia

Noes: None

Absent: None

4. FRIENDS OF THE ORANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

Friends President Kathleen Stevens discussed updates to their Board, the bookstore, upcoming events, and book sale profits. The bookstore is now open on Saturdays.

5. ORANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION REPORT

Foundation Executive Director Lynn-Marie Frediani discussed upcoming fundraising events and programs.

The Tannis Family Children's Garden opening ceremony was well received.

The Gala date is changing to possibly March 20, 2022.

Received grant for STEAM.

6. LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

6.1 Updates

Director Curtis reported on current events at the Library, including programs, funding and donations, going fine-free, and personnel updates.

Luche Libre program running through December.

Community Ofrenda at El Modena Branch Library.

New Local History Librarian Aida Cuevas is taking inventory. The Library hired a part-time Library Assistant, Charla de la Cuadra, to assist in Local History, both have extensive archival experience. An intern will also be helping on Fridays and Saturdays transcribing oral histories. Ms. Cuevas will attend an upcoming Board meeting to introduce herself and answer questions.

The Library has 1,934 Instagram followers and 332 Facebook followers.

Discussion for adding back evening hours is taking place.

6.2 Financial Report

Financial Report - July 01, 2021 through September 30, 2021.

Received and filed.

7. BOARD REPORTS

7.1 Reports from Chair

Chair Martinez would like to invite the Media Specialist to meet at the library again, and provide tours as they used to do.

7.2 Reports from Trustees

None.

8. OLD BUSINESS

8.1 Treats in the Streets

Chair Martinez and Trustee Calvert will assist staff at the Pop-Up Library. The remaining Board can attend to assist in other ways if they choose. A special QR Code was designed to allow for no-contact assistance.

9. NEW BUSINESS

None.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m. in thanks to Trustee Freeman for his 12 years of service to the Library Board of Trustees.

The next Regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 15, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. in the Rotary Room at The Orange Public Library & History Center.