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**Minutes  
LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD  
Wednesday, December 4, 2019**

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**Minutes of the LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD recorded at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4, 2019, within the Tempe Public Library Second-Floor Conference Room; 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ.**

**(MEMBERS) Present:**

Christopher Watts (Chair)  
Carrie Taylor (Vice-Chair)  
Marissa Dailey  
Marie Brown  
Felicia Durden (By Phone)  
Joaquin Rios  
Chris Sar

**(MEMBERS) Absent:**

None

**City Staff Present:**

Rachael Brickner, Sr. Management Assistant - Community Services Administration  
Kathy Husser, Deputy Community Services Director - Library Services Division

**General Public Present:**

Lori DeLuca, Tempe Resident

**Agenda Item 1 - Call to Order:**

- Christopher Watts, Library Advisory Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

**Agenda Item 2 - Call to the Audience:**

- Kathy Husser, Deputy Community Services Director - Library Services Division, called to the audience for public comment.
- Lori DeLuca, Tempe Resident, introduced herself to the Library Advisory Board (Board).
- Kathy Husser reminded Ms. DeLuca that the Board welcomes public comment only for items listed on the meeting agenda, and that there is a three-minute time limit per individual.
- Ms. DeLuca acknowledged that she understood and accepted the rules and regulations of open meeting law.

- Ms. DeLuca stated that she was in attendance as a member of the public, and as a Tempe resident, to bring attention to material available within the Tempe Public Library's Teen Services area that she felt was inappropriate for ages 12 to 18-years-old.
  - Ms. DeLuca read content aloud to the Board members from the book, Beyond Magenta: Transgender Teens Speak Out, by Susan Kuklin, and further requested that the book be removed from the Tempe Public Library.
- Upon the expiration of the timeframe for public comment, Kathy Husser thanked Ms. DeLuca and reported that she would contact her with information specific to the Tempe Public Library Reconsideration of Materials policy and procedures.

**Agenda Item 3 - Approval of the November 6, 2019, Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes:**  
**APPROVED**

- Christopher Watts, Library Advisory Board (Board) Chair, asked the Board members to review the unapproved Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes document dated November 6, 2019.
  - No edits noted or requested.

**MOTION:** Chris Sar moved to approve the November 6, 2019, Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes as presented.

**SECOND:** Marissa Dailey seconded.

**DECISION:** Motion approved, 7-0.

**Ayes:** Christopher Watts (Chair), Carrie Taylor (Vice-Chair), Marie Brown, Marissa Dailey, Felicia Durden (By Phone), Joaquin Rios, Chris Sar

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** None

**Agenda Item 4 - Friends of the Tempe Public Library Report:**

- No report.

**Agenda Item 5 - Staff Report:**

- Kathy Husser expressed gratitude to Chris Sar for his attendance at the *Tempe Accelerates* presentation on November 14.
- Kathy reminded the Library Advisory Board (Board) members that the Tempe Public Library (Library) Youth Services team attended *Tempe Accelerates* to present the Library's Strategic Priority Measure 3.33 of 'Enhancing Quality of Life through Literacy Engagement.'
  - Kathy reported that she was pleased with the robust turnout for the presentation from the Library's Youth Services team, and that the presentation sparked excellent questions from the remaining audience that drove further conversation regarding the Library's metrics and current high community satisfaction ranking.
  - Kathy encouraged the Board members to review the document included as part of the regular meeting packet specific to Tempe's Community Survey Trends as they relate to the Tempe Public Library. Kathy noted that there were no public comments; rather, data collected representing a high-level of satisfaction with Library services and safety.

- Kathy reported that the Tempe Public Library (Library) recently played host to members from the Avondale Public Library.
  - Kathy further explained that the Avondale Library Director, Human Services Director, several librarians and the Circulation Manager visited the Tempe Public Library on November 19 to tour the Library, and to meet with City of Tempe staff members.
  - Micah Corporaal, Library Youth Services Manager, Katie O'Connor, Library Adult Services Manager and Diana Meyer, Pyle Adult Recreation Center Manager, met with the Avondale team to discuss best practices, age-appropriate programming for youth, adults and seniors, and to moderate question-and-answer sessions within the various work units.
- Kathy announced that an Adult Services Librarian position open recruitment will be released to the public in early December; Kathy explained that the vacancy occurred as a result of an internal lateral transfer into the Youth Services area.
- Kathy further announced that the remodel of Youth Services is moving forward as anticipated; the public service desk is scheduled to be delivered mid-December.
  - Kathy reported that deposits have been paid to Burgeon Group and Janice by Design for the new puppet theater, and for the Pueblo Playhouse in the story time room.
  - Tween space furniture has been ordered via DEMCO; Micah Corporaal continues to consult with Michelle Dock, Community Galleries Curator, for the lobby gallery space design.
- Kathy reported that *Food for Fines* collections occurred from November 10 to 30; in total, the Library collected 1410.2 pounds of canned food items equivalent to a monetary value of \$1556.31 (in fines). All donated items were given to the Tempe Community Action Agenda for distribution.
- Kathy announced that the Library will close at 5 p.m. on December 24, and December 31, as a result of the winter holidays observed on December 25 and January 1.
- Kathy further reported that Tempe's Sister City Skopje Library in Macedonia will collaborate with Tempe Public Library; the collaboration was recently approved by Tempe Mayor Mark Mitchell.

**Agenda Item 6 - 2019 Discussion and Possible Action of Borrower Privileges Policy at Tempe Public Library: NO MOTION; POLICY TO REMAIN AS-IS**

- Kathy Husser presented the Tempe Public Library (Library) Borrower Privileges Policy to the Library Advisory Board (Board) members for discussion and possible action, should the Board members feel that the policy requires updating.
- Kathy reminded the Board members that all Library cards are to be renewed annually with identification and proof of address. Per Kathy, a member of the public recently requested a policy change to extend the life of a library card beyond one year.
- Upon further discussion by the Board members, there were no requests for policy updates or further action; Kathy confirmed that the policy is to remain as-is.

**Agenda Item 7 – Election of Officers: 2020 Calendar Year**

- Kathy Husser opened the discussion for the election of the 2020 Library Advisory Board Slate of Officers.
- Upon review of the current Slate of Officers, the Library Advisory Board members unanimously agreed by verbal acclamation to present the following slate of officers for consideration and approval: Christopher Watts, Chair, and Carrie Taylor, Vice-Chair.

**MOTION:** Motion by Acclamation to approve the appointment of Christopher Watts as Chair, and Carrie Taylor as Vice Chair, establishing the 2020 Slate of Officers for the Library Advisory Board.

**SECOND:** Seconded by Acclamation.

**DECISION:** Motion by Acclamation approved, 7-0.

**Ayes:** Christopher Watts (Chair), Carrie Taylor (Vice-Chair), Marie Brown, Marissa Dailey, Felicia Durden (By Phone), Joaquin Rios, Chris Sar

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** None

**Agenda Item 8 - Member Announcements/Future Agenda Items**

- Kathy Husser thanked the Library Advisory Board (Board) members for attending the meeting and affirmed that she will address the public comments from Lori DeLuca within the Library Staff Report at the next Board meeting scheduled to occur on January 8.
- Joaquin Rios announced his resignation from the Library Advisory Board effective upon the conclusion of the Board meeting. Joaquin thanked the City of Tempe staff team and the Board members and stated that he enjoyed his service to the Tempe Community, as well as being able to support the Tempe Public Library.
- Kathy Husser thanked Joaquin for his years of service and provided well-wishes to him on behalf of the City of Tempe staff team and the Library Advisory Board.

**Agenda Item 9 - Adjournment**

- Christopher Watts (Chair) adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

The next meeting date and location of the Library Advisory Board is scheduled at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, January 8, 2020, within the Community Services Department Second-Floor Conference Room; Tempe Public Library, 3500 S. Rural Road, Tempe, AZ.

Prepared by: Rachael Brickner; Reviewed by: Kathy Husser

Library Advisory Board  
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*[Handwritten Signature]* *1/8/2020*

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Approval Signature: Library Advisory Board Member