

**ANAHEIM PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

MEETING LOCATION

Central Library
500 W. Broadway
Anaheim, CA 92805

DATE/TIME

August 14, 2023
4:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER – The agenda having been posted on August 7, 2023, the regular meeting of the Anaheim Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by Chair Newby at 4:35 p.m.

PRESENT: Rose Chen, Michelle Dang, Jackie Filbeck, Linda Newby

ABSENT: Elia Renteria-Garcia

STAFF: Audrey Lujan – City Librarian, Jennifer Foxx – PT Management Assistant

I. INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS AND COMMUNICATION FROM OTHERS:

- A. **FRIENDS OF THE ANAHEIM PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT:** The July sale raised \$476, even with the children’s books being offered for free. Their next book sale is August 18, 2023. The Friends have been giving paperbacks to the Orange County Jail and the Anaheim Regional Hospital. They will explore sending books to help rebuild the Lahaina Library in the future. They enjoyed the Summer Reading Program and the end of year party for the Children’s Summer Reading Program.
- B. **FRIENDS OF THE CANYON HILLS LIBRARY:** FOCAL’s last flash sale was a huge success. The next Flash Sale is August 24th-25th. Their next regular meeting is September 21, 2023. They will hold elections for their officers at the September meeting. FOCAL will donate money to Elementary and Middle schools in the Anaheim Districts to purchase new books. In addition, they have approved funds to implement several new programs at Canyon Hills Branch Library thanks to the creative ideas of Librarian Jennifer DeBaun-Holmes.
- C. **ANAHEIM PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION REPORT:** Membership renewals were sent out in July for 2023/24. The 2024 Mystery Authors Luncheon will be held on Sunday, March 17, 2024.
- D. **COMMUNICATION FROM OTHERS:** Audrey shared thank you notes to Thomas Edelblute from the Human Resources Department for in-servicing new City Supervisors. A public comment addressed to the Anaheim City Council stating the importance of libraries was also shared.

II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JULY 10, 2023 MEETING:** The minutes were approved as presented.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. **ANAHEIM PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL ON THE CONDITION OF THE LIBRARIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022/23 PER ARTICLE IX. APPOINTIVE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, SECTION 908:** The letter will include an infographic and a draft letter will be presented to the Board at the September 11, 2023 Library Board Meeting.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR: **MOTION: That the Library Board nominate and elect Rose Chen as Vice Chair of the Library Board for a term through October 2023. M/S: MD/RC, 4 ayes.**
- B. CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST WITH AESD AND CESD: Planning has begun for the 2023 APL/AESD/Altrusa Creative Writing Project. This year two Centralia Elementary Schools have been invited to participate.

V. INFORMATION

A. CITY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:

- Central Library's 60th Anniversary will be celebrated on Sunday, August 27, 2023. There will be programs, crafts, cake, storytimes, and more!
- Congressman Lou Correa has nominated Anaheim Public Library for the 2024 National Medal for Museum and Library Science.
- The Anaheim Reads kick-off event is Saturday, October 14th, and the book is *There, There* by Tommy Orange.

B. BUDGET: None.

VI. ACTIVITY REPORTS

A. STATISTICS: None.

B. ACTIVITY REPORTS: None.

MONTHLY RECOGNITION OF SUPPORT/CERTIFICATE BY BOARD MEMBERS: The Library Board congratulated Library staff for the wonderful programing, customer service, and their positive attitudes. Linda recognized Ponderosa Joint-Use Branch Library staff for the culinary program and Convention Center Staff Debbie Juliani and Tom Morton for their contributions to the program.

VII. BOARD ITEMS

MEMBER MICHELLE DANG: None.

MEMBER ROSE CHEN: None.

MEMBER JACKIE FILBECK: None.

CHAIR LINDA NEWBY: Requested information on how TOT funds support the Library.

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

A. NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be September 11, 2023, at the Euclid Library.

B. ADJOURNMENT: Vice Chair Newby adjourned the meeting at 5:48 p.m.