

**Lompoc Library Commission
Lompoc Public Library
501 E. North Ave., Lompoc, CA 93436
Tuesday, April 10, 2018, 10:00 AM
Regular Meeting Minutes**

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Ruhge called the meeting of the Lompoc Library Commission to order at 10:02 AM.

Commissioners Present: Molly Gerald, Luella Knowles, Chairperson Ann Ruhge

Commissioners Absent: Ron Stassi

Staff Present: Library Director Sarah Bleyl, Library Administrative Aide Lee Edie

Others Present: County Library Advisory Committee (LAC) representative Judith Dale
Friends of the Library President Cathy Rudolph

2. Adoption of Agenda

ACTION: Motion/Second: Knowles/Gerald. By a 3-0 vote, Commission approved discussion of agenda items in order as presented.

3. Approval of Minutes

ACTION: Motion/Second: Gerald/Knowles. By a 3-0 vote, Commission approved the minutes of the February 13, 2018 regular meeting.

4. Presentations

Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to Information Services staff members Donn Adolfo and Jonathan Cardenas and Facilities Maintenance staff members Kim Coy, Sam Fast, Mark Magers, Dan Smith, and Lito Tabin for their above and beyond assistance with the Lompoc Library's youth area re-carpeting as well as regular internal customer service.

Commissioner Gerald introduced Maricela Barraza who is a potential candidate for the Library Commission vacancy and present to observe today's meeting.

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Library Support Activities

A. Friends of the Lompoc Public Library System

Friends President Cathy Rudolph reported that things are going well. The next Book Sale will be held April 19-21 and a new banner was purchased to hang outside the patio block wall to advertise each event.

B. Library District Libraries Foundation

No report was provided by the Foundation.

7. Correspondence

None.

8. Business

A. Election of Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

ACTION: Motion/Second: Gerald/Knowles. By a 3-0 vote, Commission approved to keep the current officers of Chairperson Ann Ruhge, Vice Chairperson Luella Knowles, and CPLA (California Public Library Advocates) representative Molly Gerald.

B. County Budget Update

The Library Director reported that County Supervisors voted to give 5% of the budget, approximately \$167,000, as an equity fund to the Library Advisory Committee. This came as a complete surprise to County staff and all of the library directors. The reduction to Zone 2 libraries is approximately \$26,000 which is based on the county funding given in FY1718. For the Village Library, their portion would be approximately \$6,000 which represents almost 10% of their budget.

Library Advisory Committee (LAC) member Judith Dale felt that the supervisors were struggling with per capita and six options from consultant. Her recommendation to give extra money to the LAC to help libraries in dire need like Guadalupe or Cuyama as the LAC would take a global look at what's going on in the county where supervisors do not necessarily. LAC fairly balanced. Libraries could apply to the LAC to add back funds to your library's budget.

Commissioners felt that the decision was too close to July and the beginning of the new fiscal year. Suggestion to write letters to advocate for a one year delay in the decision and allow time for staff to respond to a budget deficit.

C. FY17/19 Budget Update

The Library Director reported that there is no city budget update. She added that the City Clerk's office will be holding public information presentations regarding the new district elections and providing them throughout the four districts.

9. Library Director's February/March report and updates

The Library Director presented the staff report. In addition to the written report, it was reported that positive compliments have been received from patrons and parents with new furniture arrangement in the Youth area of the Lompoc Library, and the Youth Services Librarian has reported that the bookmobile is fully booked for the summer. Ms. Bleyl also reported that she and a few other staff will be attending outreach training in May funded by a California state grant.

10. Roundtable

Commissioner Gerald reported that she renewed her membership with CPLA (California Public Library Advocates). She continues to check the website with no updates to report at this time. She mentioned that Gov. Brown has set aside \$9,000,000 for literacy for the state library and was interested to know if this could help offset the cost of literacy services.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Ruhge at 11:32 AM. The next Regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 10:00 AM at the Lompoc Public Library, 501 E. North Ave., Lompoc.

Secretary by
Lee Edie, Library Administrative Aide