

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025, 5 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT:

Corales, Steinbrick, Ivy, Smith and Rojas

ABSENT:

Falsetti and Acuna

STAFF PRESENT:

Erin Christmas, Angela Henson, Genesis Negrete-Farfan, and George

Guzman

The Board of Library Trustees meeting convened at 5:00 p.m.

Public Comment

Item 1 There were no public comments received.

Consent Calendar

Item 2 Minutes

Item 3 Approval of Trust Fund Expenditures

Item 4 Approval of Gift Fund Donations

Item 5 Incident Reports

Item 6 Record Excused Trustee Acuna Absence from the March 10 meeting

Item 7 Record Excused Trustee Ivy Absence from the March 10 meeting

Motion:

Steinbrick

Second:

Smith

Abstain:

None

Ayes:

Corales, Steinbrick, Ivy, Smith and Rojas

Discussion and Action Calendar

Item 8 Budget Refresh Fiscal Year 2025/26

Erin Christmas, Library Director, provided a presentation on the Fiscal Year 2025/26 Budget Refresh and make recommendations as necessary for Budget Engagement Commission and City Council consideration. Following the presentation and discussion there were no recommendations or actions made.

Item 9 Receive Recurring Update on the New SPC Jesus S. Duran Eastside Library

Erin Christmas, Library Director, provided an informational report on the New SPC Jesus S. Duran Eastside Library (Eastside Library). The Eastside Library at Chicago Ave. closed on April 11 and staff are in the process of vacating the property. A

temporary location will be at the Lincoln Park Center beginning services May 6. A mobile library and remote lockers can be accessed throughout the community with a schedule on the city website. The new Eastside Library is in progress with 15 responsive bids that are under review by the purchasing department.

There were no actions taken.

Item 10 Lunch at the Library

Jessica Herdina, Assistant Library Director, provided an informational report on Lunch at the Library. Lunch at the Library is a project of the California State Library, supported with funds from the State of California. Lunch at the Library was developed by the California Library Association and the California Summer Meal Coalition, with support from the David and Lucile Packard Foundation. The California Summer Meal Coalition (CSMC) and California Library Association (CLA) are working with libraries and meal providers across California to offer summer lunch programs that are designed to provide nourishment and summer enrichment for children and teens. All library meal sites provide free summer lunches and engage families with library programs and services.

On January 16, 2025, the Riverside Public Library received notification from the California State Library of the grant award for the Lunch at the Library Program Fiscal Year 2025/26 for the total amount of \$43,366.

This funding will support the Riverside Public Library Lunch at the Library Program for Summer 2025 and engage families with library programs and services.

A staff report will be presented to the City Council on April 22, 2025, to authorize the grant application, receipt of the award and authorize the City Manager to execute the grant documents with the California State Library. The grant term is February 1, 2025, through January 31, 2026,

There was no action taken.

Item 11 Serving with a Purpose

Jessica Herdina, Assistant Library Director, provided an informational report on the annual Serving with a Purpose Conference that will be held on May 15, 2025, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Ontario Convention Center. The 2025 theme is United in Purpose: Cultivating Belonging, Trust, and a Shared Vision. The Library is sponsoring a table to include Trustee Steinbrick, Friends of the Library and Staff.

There was no action taken.

Item 12 National Library Week April 6-12

Erin Christmas, Library Director, provided an informational report on 2025 National Library week theme from the American Library Association is "Drawn to the Library! On April 8, Mayor Lock Dawson presented a Proclamation to the Library Director recognizing National Library Week April 6-12.

There was no action taken.

Board and Directors Communication

Item 13 Brief reports on conferences, seminars, and meetings attended by Board Members.

There were no comments from the Board.

Item 14 Brief reports on conferences, seminars, and meetings attended by Library Director.

Erin Christmas, Library Director, provided updates on training staff received from CALL (California Library Learn) on Storytelling. California State Library Director's meeting on Wednesday.

Item 14 Items for future Board of Library Trustees consideration as requested by the Board Members. Only items that fall with the powers and duties of the Board of Library Trustees as set forth in the City Charter and/or the Riverside Municipal Code will be agendized for future discussion.

Trustee Steinbrick requested statistics on the book mobile.

President Corales adjourned the meeting at 5:37 p.m. Respectfully submitted,

Krišta Ivy

Board Secretary,