



City of Rio Communities Library Board Meeting
City Council Chambers - 360 Rio Communities Blvd
Rio Communities, NM 87002
Wednesday, September 22, 2021 6:00 PM
Minutes

Please silence all electronic devices.

Call to Order

- Chair Bobby Caldwell called to order the meeting at 6:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

- Rita Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

- PRESENT: Chair Bobby Caldwell, Vice Chair Merita Wilson, Secretary (Virtual) Lisa Tabet-Chavez and Member Rita White.
ABSENT: Member Deborah Benavidez and Member Lisa LaManna.
Present: City Manager Dr. Moore and Municipal Clerk Lisa Adair

Approval of Agenda

- Motion made by Vice Chair Wilson to approve the agenda as presented, Seconded by Member White. Voting Yea: Chair Caldwell, Vice Chair Wilson, Secretary Tabet-Chavez, Member White. With a 4-0 vote the agenda for the library board meeting was approved.

Approval of Minutes 9/8/2021

- Motion made by Secretary Tabet-Chavez to approve the minutes for 9/8/2021. Seconded by Member White. Voting Yea: Chair Caldwell, Vice Chair Wilson, Secretary Tabet-Chavez, Member White. With a 4-0 vote the minutes for September 8, 2021 was approved as written.

Mission Statement

- Vice-chair Wilson gave her ideas and began a discussion.
- Chair Caldwell said he found a couple also that were just simple statements which were effective.
- Secretary Tabet Chavez said she liked the idea of promoting literacy.
- Member White also read her idea and began a discussion.
"The City of Rio Communities Public Library empowering personal, educational, and cultural growth."
- Secretary Tabet-Chavez read "The Rio Communities Public Library provides access to books, learning resources and technology for the community. With the focus of life-long, the library serves as a resource for all ages." She then read another idea: "The Mission of Rio Communities Public Library is to provide all members of the community with resources and programs to fulfill their inspirational, education, and cultural needs."
- A discussion began to clean up the mission statement.
- Vice Chair Wilson said instead of "fulfill" replace with enrich and continued the discussion.
- Municipal Clerk Adair read the mission statement: "Mission of Rio Communities Public Library is to provide all members of the community with resources and programs, to enrich their informational, educational and cultural needs."
- Commission continued the discussion on the mission.

- “Mission Statement: City of Rio Communities Public Library connects all citizens to resources, technologies and programs, enriching personal, educational and cultural growth.”
- Vice Chair Merita Wilson moved to submit the mission statement that was written tonight for their approval. Seconded by Secretary Tabet-Chavez. Voting Yea: Chair Caldwell, Vice Chair Wilson, Secretary Tabet-Chavez, Member White. With a 4-0 vote the mission statement was approved to forward to City Council.

Policy & Procedures

- Manager Dr. Moore said he liked the Belen Public Library outline; it is clear and covers what it needs to concisely. He continued to say we need to define your goal statements, including who may use the library, and that is what we should be determined first.
- Secretary Tabet-Chavez asked if we are allowed to limit membership.
- Manager Dr. Moore said it is legal and continued the discussion.
- Vice Chair said this came up at the Hatch library because of the illegal children and began a discussion regarding homelessness and how to grant access to that population.
- Manager Dr. Moore began a discussion on the library boundaries.
- A discussion began regarding temporary library cards.
- Secretary Tabet-Chavez said we are going to have access to eBooks on the NM to go Library and asked if the membership would have a limited access and continued the discussion.
- Manager Dr. Moore said critical would be the goals statement because they will drive the remaining and it would be his suggestion to have ready at the next meeting.
- Chair Caldwell asked Manager Dr. Moore to check on the possibilities of an interim director policy and talk to the Belen Librarian to see if she would be interested in helping.
- Vice Chair Wilson said she talked with Estancia Library, and they had the State Aide to get some help and continued with the discussion.

Public Comment

- No public comments.

General Board Discussion/Future Agenda Items

- The board went over future agenda items - policy and procedures, (a) criteria for library director, goal settings for next meeting future agenda item: State Library director and discussion continued; Wish list to Council regarding the budget on 27th October agenda.
- Chair Caldwell said a concern about concluding the meetings earlier and continued the discussion.

Adjourn

- Vice Chair Merita Wilson made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Secretary Lisa Tabet-Chavez. With a 4-0 vote, the meeting of the Library Board was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Tabet-Chavez, Library Board Secretary
(Taken by Lisa Adair Municipal Clerk and Transcribed by Amy Lopez Deputy Clerk)

Approved:

Bobby Caldwell, Chairman

Merita Wilson, Vice Chairman

Deborah Benavidez

Lisa La Manna

Rita White

Date: _____