

MINUTES

A regular meeting of the A. K. Smiley Public Library Board of Trustees was held at the Assembly Room on 125 West Vine Street on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 5:00pm.

Present: Bill Hatfield, President; Rosa Gomez, Vice President; Marty Davis, Trustee; Bill Hardy, Trustee and Kate Pretorius, Trustee

Also Present: Paul Barich, City Liaison; Dennis Bell, general public; Bill Emmerson, RHMA member; Nathan Gonzales, Archivist / Curator; Jenesie Hardyman, Management Analyst; Darlene Held, Contemporary Club President; Don McCue, Library Director; Rebecca McCurdy, FOL President; Bill Hatfield called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Public Comment

Darlene Held will continue as the Contemporary Club President for another year. The swamp cooler and dishwasher are working. She has taken the online library community survey and continues to ask her members to follow suit. She requested a more permanent parking sign for their permit holders.

Minutes & Expenditures

There being no further comment, Bill Hatfield continued the meeting. Rosa Gomez moved to approve the March 14 meeting minutes and March expenditures. The motion was seconded by Kate Pretorius and passed unanimously.

Discards

Bill Hardy moved to approve the March 2023 discards, motion was seconded by Kate Pretorius and passed unanimously.

Reports

General Friends of the Library Update, presented by Rebecca McCurdy, President:

- There has been a downturn in donations received. Bag size and quantity during bag sales will be limited.
- During Earth Day on Sat. 4/22, the FOL will be collecting donations on Vine Street near the book drop.
- Fiscally the FOL is doing well.
- There will be two vacancies on the board.

General Redlands Historical Museum Association Update, Presented by Bill Emmerson, RHMA member

- As Steve Stockton was not present at meeting, Bill Emmerson reported in his absence.
- Electrical components have been completed and passed inspection by the city.
- SCE has more requirements before they will sign off on electrical.
- Landscaping will be replaced after the Redlands Bowl Gala on 5/20/2023.
- Glass door defect is been repaired/replaced.
- Broken tile work has been replaced on the exterior.
- The state grant requested by the RHMA is currently on hold as the state has extended tax season until October. No decisions are expected until around then.

Library Director's Report

General Library Update, Presented by Don McCue, Library Director:

• In regards to infrastructure, we have put in a request with the city to have the Contemporary Club parking lot repainted. We have put together a listing of potential one-time city requested funding including broken tiles throughout the library that need to be fixed or replaced, Assembly Room carpet replacement, install touchless faucets in restrooms, landscaping on Vine, near Heritage Room and the Children's Garden and Book Drop renovation. The boiler replacement is still ongoing with a new leak found last week. To date we have not received an update to the staff lounge kitchen renovations.

 Don reported on the various upcoming programming events including ongoing VR Teen events, Pianos Plus with Spinet, the next installment of Smiley LIVE!, Earth Day in Smiley Park hosted by the city and the beginning of Summer Reading Programs for both children and teens, Library Days reception and Library Days.

Old Business

Discussion and possible action regarding Library's Strategic Plan.

• MJ Gomez Associates will be here on May 1 and May 2 for the three focus groups. No action was taken. This item to be included on the May 9, 2023 agenda.

Discussion and possible action regarding the Lower-Level Revive and California State Infrastructure Grant.

• No action was taken. This item to be included on the May 9, 2023 agenda.

Discussion and possible action regarding Trustee Handbook.

No action was taken. This will be discussed at the Trustee Workshop on May 19, 2023.

New Business

Discussion and possible action regarding the Museum of Redlands Signage.

• No action taken. This item to be included on the May 9, 2023 agenda.

Discussion and possible action regarding City of Redlands mid-biennium budget review.

• No action taken. This will be discussed at the Trustee Workshop on May 19, 2023.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Bill Hatfield adjourned the meeting at 6:08pm.

The next regular meeting of the A.K. Smiley Public Library Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, May 9, 2023.

William Hardy, Secretary	