MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
August 11, 2021 | 5:00 P.M. | Children’s Room

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, ROLL CALL
President Little called the Regular Meeting of the Banning Library District Board of Trustees to order on August 11, 2021 at 5:07 p.m.

Members Present: President Kathy Little, Vice President Alejandro Geronimo, Secretary Melanie Lara, and Trustee Loretta Cousar.

Members Absent: Trustee Jana Brassfield.

Staff Present: Kevin Lee, District Director; Fernando Morales, Library Manager; and Christian Tzintzun, Library Technician.

Guests: Gae Rusk.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA
A motion was made by Lara and seconded by Cousar to adopt the agenda for the August 11, 2021 Regular Meeting.

AYES: Little, Geronimo, Lara, Cousar.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Brassfield.

PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

CONSENT CALENDAR
A motion was made by Cousar and seconded by Geronimo to approve the Minutes of the July 14, 2021 Special Meeting.

AYES: Little, Geronimo, Lara, Cousar.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Brassfield.

CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR
None.

FRIENDS OF THE BANNING LIBRARY REPORT
Gae Rusk, from the Friends of the Banning Library, gave a report on FOBL’s recent activities. FOBL is selling iron-on patches and tickets for the Cabazon Outlets Shopping Extravaganza to raise funds.
FINANCE REPORT

A written report was presented.

DISTRICT DIRECTOR’S REPORT

The Summer Reading Program is over and the magician performed on the last day. Yamada will present the renovation designs at the September regular meeting. Library staff is preparing for another silent auction to sell the furniture being replaced. The outside library sign has been updated with the new logo. Lee spoke with Art Vela, director of Public Works, about the Rancho San Gorgonio project and was told that the project will not start until fifteen (15) years from now. The library and FOBL will have booths at the upcoming Banning Comic-Con on August 20 and 21. Lee and Morales painted the parking lot lines. Lee welcomed the two new staff members, Elizabeth Fritz and Andrea Fernandes. After contacting five museums the historian determined that the dolls have no significance and will be donated to FOBL. The library received six scholarships to attend the ASLR conference in Reno, Nevada.

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMENTS

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

10.1 Authorize the Director to settle the Inland Library System Pension Liability in the amount not to exceed $25,000.

A motion was made by Lara and seconded by Geronimo to approve and authorize the Director to settle the Inland Library System Pension Liability in the amount not to exceed $25,000.

AYES: Little, Geronimo, Lara, Cousar.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Brassfield.

10.2 Library Mask Requirement Update.

The board decided to continue the mask requirement as-is and will revisit the item again in the September Regular Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Creation of Policy No. 6030 Mobile Hotspot Lending Policy.

Lara would prefer to have a specified about of late returns to clarify what constitutes “a history of repeatedly returning late items.” A motion was made by Lara and seconded by Cousar to approve as is and direct staff to amend Policy No. 6030 and return it next month for review.

AYES: Little, Geronimo, Lara, Cousar.
NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
ABSENT: Brassfield.
LAST MINUTE AGENDA ITEMS
None.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS
None.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 8, 2021

ADJOURNMENT
Adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Prepared by:

Christian Tzintzun, Library Technician

The foregoing minutes are approved by the Board of Trustees on September 8, 2021.

Melanie Lara, Board Secretary

Kathy Little, Board President