

Serra Adult Services Committee Meeting Minutes

Thurs., July 21 2022, 10:30 a.m. Via Microsoft Teams: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Minutes Recorded by Erwin Magbanua

All items may be considered for action.

1. Call to Order

Erin Peak called the meeting to order at 10:34 am.

2. Roll Call

Present:

Jannelise Hafen, Oceanside Public Library
Azar Katouzian, Escondido Public Library
Erwin Magbanua, Chula Vista Public Library
Pete Miesner, San Diego Public Library
Erin Peak, Carlsbad City Library (Chair)
Monnee Tong, San Diego Public Library
Jacqueline Luna, Coronado Public Library

3. Public Comments

No public was present.

4. Approval of Minutes from the June 16, 2022 Meeting

Jacqueline made the motion to approve the Minutes. Monnee seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. 2023 Professional Development Workshop Planning

- Monnee put a hold on the Shiley Suite at the San Diego Central Library for April 13 and April 27, 2023 for the workshop.
- We will determine which of these dates to hold the workshop after we find out the Padres home schedule for spring.
- Erwin will reach out to Patty Wong to see if she is still available to be the keynote speaker. It was decided that Chantal Walker would be our alternate speaker if Patty is not available.
- There was discussion about whether to try staff submissions for an Ignite-style session again, but the committee felt more in favor of inviting experts in the library field or outside organizations with substantial experience in racial equity and inclusion practices to speak in panels.
- There was discussion on the exact focus, content of the talks, and how the breakout sessions would work.
- Monnee suggested we start a draft of a possible schedule for the workshop in order to manage time slots for the workshop and also strategize what content we can have. Erin will develop the draft.

6. Sharing/Cooperative-Wide Programs

Carlsbad City Library – Erin Peak

- New Adult & Teen Services Librarian Emily Hardy
- Bendable - Job-Readiness Room (Aug)- This is a program of the City of Carlsbad's Innovation & Economic Development. Department, the Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce and the Carlsbad City Library. Under the program, entry-level job seekers take online job-readiness courses through the library. Those who complete the training are guaranteed at least one job interview with a local employer in one of several fields the job seeker chooses.
- Lynne Cox Author Event Saturday, Aug. 6 at 2 p.m. Dove Library, Schulman Auditorium Join us for an in-person discussion at 2 p.m. with author Lynne Cox while she talks about her new book Tales of AI: The Water Rescue Dog. Books will be for sale before and after the event courtesy of Adventures by the Book. Book signing to follow the discussion. Join us in the Dove Courtyard at

1 p.m. for a special Paws to Read event where independent readers can read to unbiased listeners (dogs!).

- Teen Talent Show Results On Thursday, July 14, a total of 24 teens participated in the 2022 Carlsbad City Library Teen Talent Show. A panel of three judges crowned the top three winners.
- Grow Your Garden - Carlsbad City Library's Grow Your Garden program lets you swap succulents, seeds, fruit, vegetables and herbs from your garden with your neighbors and learn new gardening techniques. Join us on July 23, 10-12 for a "Farm-To-Table" event with Michelle Fisher, Bountiful Gourmet.
- Fit it clinic – organizing a Fix It Clinic in partnership with Public Works. Oct. 1 at Dove (standard), Dec 10 at Cole (Furniture repair), Feb 11 at Dove and Apr. 15 at Cole.
- Continuing TGIF Concert in the Park
- Genealogy Programs & Services Tuesday, July 26, 10 - 11:30 a.m. Find Your Military Ancestors.
- City of Carlsbad is bringing a fun and unique traveling StoryWalk to four city parks this summer. The StoryWalk tells the brightly illustrated, bilingual story, Call Me Tree, by Maya Christina Gonzalez.

Chula Vista Public Library – Erwin Magbanua:

- Recruitments are ongoing – still working with a major staffing shortage.
- Renovations to our Civic Center and South branch locations continue.
- We have several performing arts events coming up at the Civic Center branch as a result of collaborating with Create Chula Vista Arts Grant recipients.
- A call for Filipino artists in the South Bay was made for an upcoming exhibition that will complement the Filipinos in South Bay Historical Exhibit in fall.

Coronado Public Library – Jacqueline Luna:

- Summer Reading is in full swing. Our numbers are up from the past few years but a good amount and participation in programs is continuing to grow.
- Our summer jazz concert series is continuing and music programs continue to be a popular option for attendees. On July 29th we will host the Uptown Rhythm Makers and on August 12th the Young Lions Jazz Conservatory.
- We will host several authors in the next few months, beginning with cartoonist Trino Camacho this coming Monday at 6pm. Pulitzer Prize and National Book Award Marianne Wiggins will be here on August 11 and Anastasia Zadeik on August 23.
- This Saturday we will host an afternoon of Ukranian music.
- We went fine free on July 1 and has been well received by the public.

Escondido Public Library – Azar Katouzian:

- Adult:
 - Ocean of Paranormal presentation by Nicole Strickland (July)
 - Succulence Swap (We hosted Master Gardeners of San Diego, and two different departments from the City of Escondido to promote their gardening supports and programs) (July)
 - Artsy Adult: Beach Frame Craft (July)
 - Movie Matinee: Death on the Nile(July)
 - Board Game Café (8/6/22)
 - Healthy You Series: Blood Pressure Screening & Reducing Hypertension (8/10/22) partnering with Palomar Health
 - Healthy You Series: Obesity Screening & Body Composition Analysis (8/24/22) partnering with Palomar Health
- YA & Teen:
 - Traveling tidepool (seven-foot tide pool zone featuring cool sea animals) (June)
 - Wild wonders (Visit with the mysterious rainforest dwellers of South America! Six different animals) (July)
 - Mark Griffiths Puppet Show (July)
 - Anime your Way: Comprehensive step-by-step drawing program (July)

- o Patio Playhouse Presents, Preview of upcoming play: A Year with Frog and Toad(August)

Oceanside Public Library – Jennelise Hafen

- Community Health & Wellbeing Initiative – Community Wide Read throughout month of September – Adult: “Atlas of the Heart” by Brene Brown
- Children: “The Color Monster” by Anna Llenas
- Teen/Tween: “Dictionary for a Better World” by Irene Latham and Charles Waters
- Literacy” “Living with Healthy Relationships” by Judith Murphy
- Programming in the works including mini retreat, Healing Art classes and Discussion groups from licensed therapists, partnerships with TrueCare “Love is Respect”/“Know your choices” for Teens.
- Visual Analogies: Racial History of Oceanside partnership with The Hill Street Country Club, a local arts org to find and record the history of Oceanside that is not always shown.
- Write On Oceanside - A literary Festival coming up on Aug 13, work with the local arts and writing community, local author showcase, writing contests and more
- Art for Older Adults working with local teaching artist, bringing free arts workshops to the Senior Centers
- READS Literacy just started Cafecito Conversation meetups in local parks in the Oceanside community
- Social Justice Book Club newest book club for Adults!
- Humans of Oceanside – Human Library program will be on Friday, August 5 as the wrap up to our Summer Reading program.
- Community Connections: We were able to hire a Community Resource Specialist to help connect library users to local organizations and resources in the community.
- Landes Community Engagement and Leadership Project wrapped up in July. This was a project where we looked at Library card usage data and overlaid it with income and other demographics to find a pocket of Oceanside that has been historically underserved by the City. We were able to hire local interns, all from the neighborhood the project is focused on to complete community surveys, community conversations and community celebrations to find out what the community wants and needs from the Library and from the City of Oceanside. A quote from the head of the program, “This project was truly a demonstration of the equity work that needs to be done across all our communities. The Library has taken steps to not only help rectify unfair policies within its own institution, but is now branching out to go into the communities and do the work there. This is where the real work begins, not waiting for the community to come to us, but rather we go out to them. I look forward to seeing all the amazing things that you all do at Landes, and that you continue to be the change our communities need to help lead us to a more equitable Oceanside.”

San Diego Public Library – Pete Miesner and Monnee Tong:

- We have a new Supervising Librarian for Central – Monnee Tong!
- And Supervisor of Youth and Family Services – Emily Derry
- We are starting a new process for librarian I/II is soon happening
- On the horizon also the Librarian III/IV
- We will be once again offering Sunday hours, but we are working out the details and negotiating with MEA to determine staffing.
- Pacific Highlands groundbreaking was Friday, July 15th. It will be our 37th location.
- The City requested and received State funding for the following projects:
 - o University Community Branch Expansion
 - o San Carlos Branch Expansion
 - o Ocean Beach Branch Expansion
 - o Oak Park Branch Expansion
- Working on public PC refresh. There are about 140 new computers making their way out to locations.
- Comic Con programming happening
- Comic Conference for Educators & Librarians | Library Panels – Central Library

- Exclusive Comic-Con library card designed by local artis Charles Glaubit
- Cosplay repair station to mend any costume emergencies during Comic-Con.
- Library booth at Comic-con #5523

Meeting was adjourned at 11:28 am by Erin Peak.



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