

**Lompoc Library Commission
Lompoc Public Library Grossman Gallery
501 E. North Ave., Lompoc, CA 93436
Tuesday, December 8, 2015, 10:00 AM
Regular Meeting Minutes**

1. Call to Order

President Ruhge called the meeting of the Lompoc Library Commission to order at 10:00 AM.

Commissioners Present: Molly Gerald, Luella Knowles, Barry Marks, Ann Ruhge

Commissioners Absent: None

Staff Present: Sarah Bleyl, Library Director; Lee Edie, Library Administrative Aide

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION: It was moved, seconded (Knowles/Marks), and unanimously carried to discuss the agenda items in order as presented.

3. Consent Calendar

MOTION: It was moved, seconded (Marks/Knowles), and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as presented.

New Library Commissioner Molly Gerald was welcomed.

4. Presentations

None.

5. Public Comment

None.

6. Library Support Activities

A. Friends of the Lompoc Public Library System

Friends President Cathy Rudolph said she had nothing new to report. Commissioner Marks thanked the Friends volunteers for their timeless hours of work in support of the libraries.

B. Library District Libraries Foundation

Foundation President Melinda Aguirre reported that the Foundation sponsored and decorated a tree for the Friends of the Library raffle and that they are planning an event to be held in the spring. She also reported that, after sharing that the Foundation was considering dissolving at the last meeting, they are discussing and reviewing their organization's board positions and goals. Commissioner Marks suggested that if it would be helpful to have input from the Commission, a member could attend their meetings.

7. Correspondence

None.

8. Business

A. Charlotte's Web Mobile Children's Library update

Library Director Sarah Bleyl reported that the bookmobile was delivered on 12/4/15 and it was introduced to the community that night as an entry in the annual Children's Christmas Parade. It is being inspected and serviced by Fleet Division before being available to Library staff. An offer has

been made for the bookmobile Librarian I position and once hired, staff will be scheduling site visits. Plans for an open house in January are in the planning stages.

B. Discussion about County Library System Funding

Library Director Sarah Bleyl reported that the County is in the early stages of exploring options to help fund the libraries with one of the options being a parcel tax. Since City staff, which includes Library employees, cannot advocate but only provide information, the Library Commission will have to be a vital part of advocating for whatever is decided. The County Advisory Committee's next meeting will be on December 16, 2015.

Judith Dale reported that the Library Advisory Committee agrees with the county that now is the time to move forward with some version of a ballot measure and having a measure on the ballot of a Presidential Election is the best way to go as there is usually more voter participation. Several members were supportive of a countywide initiative but wanted to have community specific ballot measures so that the funds generated from the measure would be used specifically for the needs of each area.

Commissioner Marks shared that the Lompoc Unified School District is moving forward with a school bond. Commissioners expressed concern with multiple ballot measures but agreed with the belief that funds generated would be used specifically for the needs of each area of the county.

9. Library Director's November report and updates

Ms. Bleyl had nothing new to report.

Commissioner Marks asked about the regular cleaning of the parking lot and staff will inquire. He also thanked staff for the update on designated projects using reserves. Some discussion ensued related to a timeframe for projects. Commissioner Marks also had questions about the Central Coast Literacy Council's 3rd quarter report. Since representatives were in the audience, his questions were discussed.

10. Roundtable

Commissioner Ruhge acknowledged that with responsibilities of the Library Commission being less than when the members were a board of trustees, the need to have monthly meetings may not be necessary and staff should feel confident with cancelling a meeting if there are no items of business. Commissioner Marks requested to review the topic of cancelling meetings be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Trustee Ruhge at 10:56 AM. The next Regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 at 10:00 AM at the Lompoc Public Library.

Barry Marks, Secretary

by Lee Edie, Library Administrative Aide