

CAMDEN COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 8, 2021

LOCATION: Virtual Meeting via Zoom, 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Jennie Owens, Joseph Tortorelli, Robert Weil, Sam Cass, Pat Abusi, Linda Devlin.
County Counsel: Ilene Lampitt. Staff: Jennifer Druce, Antonella Kressel, Lauren Callahan, Barbara DelPidio.

The regular meeting of the Camden County Library Commission was held in compliance with Open Public Meeting Act N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 to 10:4-12.

CLOSED SESSION: Commissioner Tortorelli presented a motion to go into closed session and it was seconded by Commissioner Cass. Resolution #46-21 approved closing the meeting to discuss personnel issues in accordance with C10:4-13 of the Open Public Meetings Act.

Commissioner Weil presented a motion to open the meeting to the public and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Tortorelli. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES: Commissioner Tortorelli presented a motion to accept the minutes for the May 2021 regular meeting and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Weil. The regular minutes for May 2021, was unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Commissioner Tortorelli presented a motion to accept the financial statements for April 2021; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Cass and Resolution #47-21, approving the financial statements for April 2021, was unanimously approved.

BILLS AND VOUCHERS: Commissioner Tortorelli presented a motion to accept the bills and vouchers for May 2021; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Weil and Resolution #48-21, approving the bills and vouchers for May 2021, was unanimously approved.

HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT: Commissioner Tortorelli presented a motion to accept the appointments and resignations for May 2021, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Abusi and Resolution #49-21, approving the appointments and resignations for May 2021, was unanimously approved.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

Ms. Devlin announced that the Library System will be open at nearly pre-pandemic levels effective June 21. The new operating schedule will be Monday through Thursday 10 am to 9 pm (Ferry Avenue open until 8 pm) and Friday and Saturday 10 am to 5 pm. The Nilsa Cruz-Perez Downtown Branch will be open Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday 10 am to 4 pm and Wednesday and Thursday 12 noon to 8 pm. The Merchantville Branch will open for the first time since we closed in March 2020 and the schedule will be Monday and Wednesday, 2 pm to 9 pm, Tuesday and Thursday, 2 pm to 5 pm, and Saturday 10:30 am to 1:30 pm. Curbside services will be available during all open hours.

Ms. Devlin announced that effective July 6 all remote work will be discontinued and Library employees will return to work onsite for all scheduled hours.

Ms. Devlin announced that the Camden County Library System received two awards at the NJLA 2021 Conference. The Library received the 2021 NJLA Innovative Program Award for our Safe(r) Space virtual program and the 2021 Rising Star Award which was received by Principal Library Assistant Ashley Mitchell.

Associate Director Jennifer Druce updated the Commission on the branches:

The 2021 children's Summer Reading Program's theme is Tails and Tales which will be held from June 28 through August 7.

The outdoor Story Time series is getting ready to begin and will run through the middle of August. These will be held at Connolly Park in Voorhees, Lindenwold Memorial Park, 4th and Washington Park in Camden and the Merchantville Farmers Market.

There will be a family friendly performer series on Thursday nights at Connolly Park and outreach will continue with various virtual events.

The Director's Report was unanimously approved.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

AFSCME Local 2307A Bargaining Unit Agreement: Commissioner Tortorelli approved AFSCME Local 2307A Bargaining Unit Agreement; Commissioner Weil seconded the motion and Resolution #50-21 was unanimously approved.

Ratify Temporary Reclassification, Principal Library Assistant: Commissioner Tortorelli approved to ratify the temporary reclassification, Principal Library Assistant, of Senior Library Assistant Miranda Maher to the position of Principal Library Assistant from March 10, 2021 to May 17, 2021; Commissioner Cass seconded the motion and Resolution #51-21 was unanimously approved.

Ratify Revision of Personnel Policy 6.24 COVID-19 Protocol: Commissioner Cass presented a motion to ratify revision of Personnel Policy 6.24 COVID-19 Protocol; Commissioner Tortorelli seconded the motion and Resolution #52-21 was unanimously approved.

Revision of Policy CUS-2, Customer Behavior: Commissioner Tortorelli presented a motion for the Revision of Policy CUS-2, Customer Behavior; Commissioner Abusi seconded the motion and Resolution #53-21 was unanimously approved.

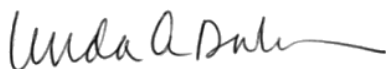
OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS: Commissioner Owens stated that in-person Library Commission meetings will resume in July.

PUBLIC PORTION:

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Tortorelli presented a motion to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Cass seconded the motion and it was unanimous to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Devlin, Director
June 9, 2021



Certified by _____

Linda Devlin, Director

Date: _____

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