CAMDEN COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: April 11, 2023

LOCATION: M. Allan Vogelson Branch

PRESENT: Joseph Tortorelli, Robert Weil, Suzanne Fox, Debra Kendall, Earl Davis, Charlene Burd, Linda Devlin. County Counsel: Brandon Hawkins. Staff: Jennifer Druce, Lauren Callahan, Antonella Kressel, 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 Weil presented a motion to go into closed session and it was seconded by Commissioner Kendall. Resolution #31-23 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; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Burd. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES: Commissioner Weil presented a motion to accept the minutes for the March 2023 regular meeting; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis. The regular minutes for March 2023 were unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Commissioner Weil presented a motion to accept the financial statements for February 2023; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendall and Resolution #32-23, approving the financial statements for February 2023, was unanimously approved.

BILLS AND VOUCHERS: Commissioner Weil presented a motion to accept the bills and vouchers for March 2023; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis and Resolution #33-23, approving the bills and vouchers for March 2023, was unanimously approved.

HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT: Commissioner Weil presented a motion to accept the appointments and resignations for March 2023, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis and Resolution #34-23, approving the appointments and resignations for March 2023, was unanimously approved.

DIRECTORS REPORT:

Ms. Devlin announced that National Library Week is celebrated April 23 through the 29th. This year's theme is "There's More to the Story". National Library Week is celebrated each April and highlights the valuable role libraries, librarians, and library workers play in transforming lives and strengthening our communities. National Library Worker's Day is celebrated on Tuesday each year during National Library Week and recognizes the hard work and dedication of library staff. The Library will celebrate the week with visual communication on social media, website, and in our facilities and appreciation gifts for the staff.

Ms. Devlin announced that the County has installed Naloxone boxes in highly visible public areas of most Library branches.

Ms. Devlin thanked the staff for their dedication and hard work.

Associate Director Jennifer Druce updated the Commission on the following:

Staffing throughout the system is still the biggest challenge. Several Librarian positions remain vacant. Librarians and Library Assistants continue to cover extra shifts. Ms. Druce expressed how thankful she is for the willingness of staff to cover shifts at other locations so we can remain open.

The Haddon Township Branch received new furniture for seating.

The grant application to help support the pantries throughout the Library System has been submitted. The Haddon Township Branch recently opened a pantry and the South County Branch will open one in May.

Commissioner Weil presented a motion to accept the Director's Report; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis and the Director's Report was unanimously approved.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>Reclassification, Mitchell, Librarian 1 to Librarian 2:</u> Commissioner Fox presented a motion to authorize the reclassification, Mitchell, Librarian 1 to Librarian 2 effective April 16, 2023; Commissioner Davis seconded the motion and Resolution #35-23 was unanimously approved.

New Personnel Policy 2.16 Safety & Security Handguns and Weapons: Commissioner Kendall presented a motion to approve new Personnel Policy 2.16 Safety & Security Handguns and Weapons; Commissioner Davis seconded the motion and Resolution #36-23 was unanimously approved.

Ratify Temporary Assignment, Principal Library Assistant, Meyerson: Commissioner Weil presented a motion to ratify temporary assignment, Principal Library Assistant, Meyerson; Commissioner Davis seconded the motion and Resolution #37-23 was unanimously approved.

<u>Authorizing review and acceptance of the fiscal year 2021 audit report of Bowman & Company, LLP:</u>
Commissioner Weil presented a motion authorizing the review and acceptance of the fiscal year 2021 audit report of Bowman & Company, LLP; Commissioner Davis seconded the motion and Resolution #38-23 was unanimously approved.

OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS:

PUBLIC PORTION: There is no public comment. Commissioner Fox presented a motion to move to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Kendall seconded the motion, and it was unanimous to move to adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Weil presented a motion to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Kendall seconded the motion, and it was unanimous to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Devlin, Director April 12, 2023

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Linda A. Devlin, Director		<u> </u>	