



MINUTES

**LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
GLENDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY
5959 W. BROWN ST.
GLENDALE, ARIZONA 85302**

**MARCH 9, 2022
6:00P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Gary Johnson , Chair
Eva Ndavu, Board Member
Diane Kocur, Board Member
Haydee KuKowski, Board Member
Bernice Harris (via Zoom), Board Member
Lauren Snair, Teen

Absent: Timothy Ndavu, Vice Chair

Also Present: Michael Beck , Chief Librarian
Dawn Ferro, Administrative Librarian
Alexandra Rowland , Librarian
Esther Peneff, Administrative Support Specialist

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. Library Advisory Board Minutes of February 9, 2022.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. INFORMATION: JUNIOR CSI ACADEMY PROGRAM

Library Staff will provide an update Chief Librarian Beck welcomed everyone and introduced Alexandra Rowland who started the program in 2019 at the Heroes branch location. Ms. Rowland stated that it is a special program between the Glendale Police department and the Glendale library that brings a positive interaction with the community. It will be at the Foothills branch library on March 26, 2022. There will be nine different stations on a map throughout the library showing the steps of a crime scene investigation. The police dog will be there at one of the stations with demonstrations. The kids learn about blood DNA analysis, try on police gear, and fingerprinting. At the final station, the

kids earn a Crime Scene Investigate certificate with a badge.

Member Eva Ndavu asked if 2019 was the first year this was offered. Ms. Rowland stated yes. The location was picked out because the police are nearby. Member Ndavu asked if the students can get some type of credit or certification, such as a high school student. Ms. Rowland stated no because it's more for entertainment and observing.

Member Kocur asked how we manage the flow of people. Does everyone go to the same booth at the same time? Ms. Rowland stated that we have 8 volunteers, 8 police officers, and 6 library staff. The police department was very organized and assisted with the set-up. Many families came out because of interest.

Chief Librarian Beck stated that after signing up at the registration table, the kids can go to any station on the map to get their stamp. Volunteers and staff help guide them. At the completion of going to all stations, they will get a certificate. It's a great partnership between the police department, volunteers, and the library.

b. INFORMATION: FY2022-23 LSTA GRANT CYCLE IDEAS

Chief Librarian Beck stated that each year the library can apply for the Library Services Technology Act grant. We compete with other libraries for the pot of money that is given by the Institute of Museum Library Services and the State Library of Arizona as an agency pass-through. We submitted four grants: 1) Financial Literacy CAP Grant-supplemental materials targeting entrepreneurs and financial diversity by creating small video vignettes on "How to make a budget" and "How to improve credit scores." After completion of attending all classes, you will get a certificate through the Main Library Idea Center and Velma Teague library. 2) Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion CAP grant-\$4,000 grant to supplement the collection 3) Gaming Grant-Add Prenda (online coding program with remote access), gaming consoles and materials to our electronic resources. Video gaming is one of the highest circulated formats in the library. 4) Digitization Grant-The city turns 100 years old on December 26, 2022. Possibility of partnering with the Historical Society or the Glendale Women's Club to archive photos, make available to the public and to preserve local history.

Chair Johnson asked if there were any questions.

Member Kocur asked where the ideas come from. Chief Librarian Beck stated that the ideas come from various places such as patron surveys and staff grant writers. Staff try to identify community needs.

Member Kukowski asked about the timing of who gets the grant. Chief Librarian Beck stated that we have a February/March deadline to submit the grant idea and then awards are announced in May.

Chair Johnson asked if there were any questions. No other questions or comments.

6. CHIEF LIBRARIAN UPDATE

- a.** Chief Librarian Beck updated the Board of the following:
- Administrative Librarian-Collection Development – The position was filled by Ashley Ware, formerly held by Kathy Curley who recently retired. She will be responsible for three-quarter of a million dollars, print and electronic budget. She will also have grant writing responsibilities as well. The board members will be able to meet Ashley at the next meeting or the May meeting.
 - Master Planning – The board will be updated via email sometime in early April.
 - Board & Commission Appreciation Dinner-March 31st (5:30-7:00 p.m.) Catered event at

the Sahuaro Ranch. If you haven't received the email from the City Clerk, please notify us, and we will take care of. The city appreciates your service and volunteering on the board.

Chair Johnson asked if there were any questions. No other questions or comments.

7. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

Member Kocur asked how the master planning schedule is going out to the community. Chief Librarian Beck stated that it would be "full court press," social media, print, electronic, etc. Ms. Ferro also stated by QR codes, library email newsletters, water bill, all boards, and commissions.

Chair Johnson asked if there were any more questions. No other questions.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Library Advisory Board will be held on April 13, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., in the Large Meeting Room of the Main Library, located at 5959 W. Brown St., Glendale, Arizona, 85302.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Board Member Eva Ndamu, made a motion, Board Member Harris made the second to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m.

The Library Advisory Board meeting minutes of February 9, 2022, were submitted and approved this 9th day of March 2022.

Esther Peneff
Recording Secretary