

## **CAMDEN COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: July 12, 2022

LOCATION: M. Allan Vogelsson Branch

PRESENT: Joseph Tortorelli, Robert Weil, Suzanne Fox, Pat Abusi, Linda Devlin.  
County Counsel: Howard Goldberg. Staff: Jennifer Druce, Lauren Callahan, Barbara DelPidio.

Deputy County Administrator Holly Cass was in attendance.

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.

Proclamation: Commissioner Tortorelli presented a proclamation to Keith Venables in recognition of his retirement and 8 years of service to the Camden County Library System.

Proclamation: Commissioner Tortorelli presented a proclamation to Rosemary Scalese in recognition of her retirement and 22 years of service to the Camden County Library System.

Proclamation: Commissioner Tortorelli presented a proclamation to Janet Dinich in recognition of her retirement and 19 years of service to the Camden County Library System

CLOSED SESSION: Commissioner Weil presented a motion to go into closed session and it was seconded by Commissioner Fox. Resolution #91-22 approved closing the meeting to discuss personnel issues in accordance with C10:4-13 of the Open Public Meetings Act.

Commissioner Abusi presented a motion to open the meeting to the public; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fox. The motion passed unanimously.

MINUTES: Commissioner Weil presented a motion to accept the minutes for the June 2022 regular meeting; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fox. The regular minutes for June 2022, was unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Financial Statements for June 2022 will be presented at the August Library Commission Meeting.

BILLS AND VOUCHERS: Commissioner Fox presented a motion to accept the bills and vouchers for June 2022; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Abusi and Resolution #92-22, approving the bills and vouchers for June 2022, was unanimously approved.

HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT: Commissioner Abusi presented a motion to accept the appointments and resignations for June 2022, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Weil and Resolution #93-22, approving the appointments and resignations for June 2022, was unanimously approved.

### **DIRECTORS REPORT:**

Ms. Devlin announced that on June 27<sup>th</sup> the Nilsa Cruz-Perez Downtown Branch suffered significant, sudden water damage due to broken sprinkler system pipes. The branch is currently closed for remediation and installation of new carpet, drywall, and fixtures. The collection was not damaged. Staff are working at other branch locations during the remediation period.

Ms. Devlin announced that the M. Allan Vogelsson Branch experienced a power outage over the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday weekend. The outage caused a power surge that damaged the HVAC control system, the blower motor, the capacitor and the compressor.

The Haddon Township Branch was closed on the evening of July 6 due to sewage back up in the public restrooms. The issue was resolved quickly, and the branch reopened on July 7.

Ms. Devlin announced some statistics: The Library is busier: Checkouts and holds placed are increasing and the Library is generally busier each month.

Associate Director Jennifer Druce provided a report to the Commission on the various programs and exhibits she attended at the American Library Association Annual Conference in Washington DC June 23 through June 28.

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

#### CONTINUING BUSINESS:

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Appointment of Branch Manager, South County Regional Branch Library, Librarian 3+: Commissioner Weil presented a motion to approve the appointment of Branch Manager, South County Regional Branch Library, Librarian 3+, Christina Eckenroth effective July 24, 2022; Commissioner Fox seconded the motion and Resolution #94-22 was unanimously approved.

Dell Marketing LP (NJ State Contract M0483/19TELE00656): Commissioner Fox presented a motion to authorize Dell Marketing LP (NJ State Contract M0483/19TELE00656) in the amount not to exceed \$17,571.40; Commissioner Weil seconded the motion and Resolution #95-22 was unanimously approved.

Pay to Play-Overdrive, Inc.: Commissioner Fox presented a motion to authorize Pay to Play-Overdrive, Inc. in the amount of \$5,000.00; Commissioner Weil seconded the motion and Resolution #96-22 was unanimously approved.

Pay to Play-Proquest, LLC: Commissioner Abusi presented a motion to authorize Pay to Play-Proquest, LLC in the amount of \$12,490.58; Commissioner Weil seconded the motion and Resolution #97-22 was unanimously approved.

Add item of revenue and appropriation to the 2022 Literacy Budget: Commissioner Fox presented a motion to add item of revenue and appropriation to the 2022 Literacy Budget in the amount of \$20,000.00; Commissioner Weil seconded the motion and Resolution #98-22 was unanimously approved.

Grant Review Form-Library Services & Technology Act, NJ State Library: The grant funds are allocated to address literacy needs including early literacy, family literacy, digital literacy and ESL activities. The Library is applying for funds to assist with digital literacy at the Ferry Avenue Branch. Commissioner Fox presented a motion to accept the Grant Review Form-Library Services & Technology Act, NJ State Library; Commissioner Abusi seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

#### OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS:

#### PUBLIC PORTION:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Linda A. Devlin, Director  
July 13, 2022



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**Linda A. Devlin, Director**

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