

DALY CITY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
DALY CITY CIVIC CENTER – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
MINUTES – APRIL 15, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Erlinda Galeon at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Library Board of Trustees Present:

Vice President Erlinda Galeon, Trustees Michael Maysenhalder, Arlene Encarnacion and Dorie Paniza

Excused:

President Bradley Roxas

Staff Present:

Director Joseph Curran and Library Branch Manager Ben Gomberg

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda for the April 15, 2014 regular meeting unanimously approved.

(MSP:Encarnacion/Maysenhalder)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

One correction was made under Excused to delete “Trustee Michael Maysenhalder”.

Minutes of the February 18, 2014 Regular meeting unanimously approved.

(MSP: Maysenhalder/Paniza)

REPORTS

1. Director’s Report:

- a. Bayshore Branch Update - Director Curran was pleased to announce that the Bayshore Library hours of operation will be restored beginning the week of May 5th. The library will be open Fridays (1:00 - 6:00 p.m.) in addition to Mondays (1:00 - 6:00 p.m.) and Wednesdays (1:00 - 8:00 p.m.) for a total of 17 hours.
- b. Reconfigured Public Service Desk at Serramonte Library – Branch Manager Ben Gomberg showed a 3d model of the Library’s New Shared Service Desk. The most significant structural change from this project is that there is no longer a reference service desk. It is a concept utilized in many modern libraries, whereas previously, libraries maintained separate circulation and reference desks. The purpose for this is in keeping with a number of library trends regarding public service and to best use the smaller number of existing staff at the library. It’s a one-stop service so both librarians and circulation staff can provide assistance to one another and in this way, provide more timely service to patrons. This integration provides a more collegial interaction among staff. There is now a publically-accessible holds shelf where patrons can retrieve requested items and use the self-checkout machine. This change should lead to higher rates of self-service by patrons just visiting to pick-up holds. Homework and research computers were also relocated right up front for the public both with the benefit of allowing librarians to oversee proctored exams more closely. The work was all done by the exceptional Maintenance staff of Daly City.
- c. Mango Languages – Branch Manager Ben Gomberg presented the Mango Languages subscription service. Mango is an online learning tool that teaches patrons new languages or helps them refresh their language skills. It has over 60 languages to choose from (including foreign languages, English courses and religious/scholarly languages). Mango serves 98% of language learning demands. Mango is available at home, on library computers, or on mobile devices using the Mango app. Each lesson is taught through conversations. It challenges users to combine what you’ve already learned to build something new. Grammar insights are

sprinkled throughout the lessons for clarity. Mr. Gomberg said that the Library will be promoting Mango widely through the City website, at outreach events and in the libraries. Daly City Public Library Associates will be funding the first year of the Mango subscription. The library was able to secure discount by joining subscription with other PLS libraries. Mango will be available to all Daly City Library cardholders, as well as many, but not all, cardholders with other Peninsula libraries. Exceptions include South San Francisco and San Mateo City libraries.

- d. Budget Update – Director Curran announced that on Monday, April 28, 2014, the City Council will begin its review of the proposed budget for Fiscal Years 2014-14 and 2015-16. They are scheduled to review the Library and Recreation Department’s budget on Wednesday, April 30, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Director Curran is hopeful that the Library will see a full-time Children’s librarian position restored.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATION

- Earth Day Fun, Tuesday, April 22, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. Live music, imagination and felt-board storytelling at the Serramonte Library featuring Eric Hart and Jamie Lee Currier.
- Rebecca Douglas’ *Death by Ice Cream*, local author signing, on Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Westlake Library.
- Rob Keil’s new film “*Little Boxes: Legacy of Henry Doelger*”, April 16, 2014 at 6:00 p.m., Serramonte Library
- Daly City Public Library Associates donation of \$10,000 for a Mango Language online subscription, books, and children’s programs.

PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

**Next Meeting:
Tuesday, May 20, 2014
Daly City Council Chambers**