

**VILLAGE OF NORTH PALM BEACH  
LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 23, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Christine DelGuzzi called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

Present:	Julie Morrell, Library Manager	Tina Chippas, Member
	Christine DelGuzzi, Chair	Carolyn Kost, Member
	Phyllis Wissner, Vice Chair – Absent	Leslie Metz, Member – Absent
	Bonnie Jenkins, Secretary	Darryl Aubrey, President Pro-Tem
	Brad Avakian, Member	

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Tina Chippas made a motion to accept the Minutes for the April 25, 2023 meeting. Brad Avakian seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There was none.

**LIBRARIAN’S REPORT**

Library Manager Julie Morrell reported the following:

- Facilities:
  - Waiting for one final quote for a front window leak. Upstairs windows are good.
  - Quotes are being obtained to re-grout or replace lobby tiles. Also considering refinishing terrazzo stairs and planters. (This would be budgeted for FY24).
  - The Library elevator emergency phone repaired and inspection passed.
  - The upstairs renovation is almost complete. Most books have been re-shelved.
  
- Children’s Programming:
  - Junior League Storytime continues to be held the first Saturday of the month, in addition to the other four times on weekdays.
  - TCS class visits have stopped until school begins again in the fall.
  - Children’s Arts and Crafts continues weekly on Thursdays for ages 3 – 6.
  - Children’s Art Appreciation was held the third Friday of the month. An additional session for older children will be starting.
  - Due to lack of sign-ups, the 4 – 5 Recreation Camp at the Library has been canceled.
    - Presenters have been rescheduled to the Community Center or the presentations have been opened to the public.
  
- Teen Programming:
  - Teen volunteers continue to help with daily tasks such as shelf reading and cleaning.
    - Teen volunteers are being sought for the Summer Reading Program.
  - Teen/tween crafts will start June 7<sup>th</sup> and run through July 26<sup>th</sup>.
  
- Adult Programming:
  - Knit and Crochet will continue to meet on Mondays throughout the summer.
  - Yoga in Veteran’s Park with Mi Sun will be on a hiatus starting June 1<sup>st</sup>. It will resume in October (with cooler weather).

- Book Club met May 4<sup>th</sup> and discussed *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt.
  - Great Courses Lectures topic concluded for the summer. It will pick up again in October with “A Tour of France.”
  - Donna Parsons presented an Excel 1 computer class on May 13<sup>th</sup>.
  - Senior Appreciation Bingo, presented by Amerilife, was held May 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Friends of the Library
    - Friends meetings will start up again in the fall.
  - Special Events:
    - Mental Health Awareness Day was held May 13<sup>th</sup>.
      - Busch Wildlife participated with a screech owl, baby alligator, and Florida King Snake;
      - Giveaways included facemasks, journals, stress balls, and herbal tea;
      - A magician entertained the children;
      - Mi Sun led relaxing breathing and meditation activities.
  - Circulation continues to increase overall.
    - DVD circulation was down
      - They were unavailable due to the remodel upstairs

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Annual election of officers was held. Due to new rules put in place by council, the Chair can only serve a one-year term. Carolyn Kost moved that Bonnie Jenkins be nominated as Chair; Christine DelGuzzi as Vice Chair; and Brad Avakian as Secretary. Tina Chippas seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Library is drafting a long-range plan, which will be considering what services to offer, and what changes may be made to the facility. This is required by the Florida State Library in order to be considered for state funding grants. Community surveys are being collected via social media, the web—site and through signs in place around the Library.

#### **MEMBER COMMENTS**

There was none.

#### **STAFF COMMENTS**

There was none.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Carolyn Kost motioned to adjourn the meeting. Brad Avakian seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:23pm.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 27, 2023, at 7:00 PM in the Obert Room.

Respectfully submitted by Bonnie Jenkins