

Providence Community Library
Board of Directors Minutes: Annual Meeting
September 17, 2018
Pavilion at Grace Episcopal Church
300 Westminster Street

Welcome and Call to Order

President Cyndie Wilmot called the meeting to order at 6:09 pm with seventeen members present. Prior to the start of the meeting, the board attended a presentation by Miguel Figueroa, Center for the Future of Libraries, and then joined staff and guests for refreshments.

Present: Tony Aguilar; Kendra Brewster, Avital Chatto, Elena Chiaradio, Joan Dagle, Jordan Day, Deborah Del Gais, Margaret Gardner, Althea Graves, Judanne Hamidzada, Matthew Lawrence, Rochelle Lee, Deborah Schimberg, Ellen Schwartz, Pamela Vogel, Cyndie Wilmot, Ken Wise.

Absent: Patricia Raub.

Minutes: E. Schwartz moved that the board minutes from July 16, 2018 be accepted as recorded.

Second: T. Aguilar. Vote to approve: 16-0-1, M. Lawrence abstaining.

Director's Report

Motion to approve decision to award contract for Development Consulting Services as interim development department through 11/30/18 with the option to extend as needed: P. Vogel.

Second: R. Lee. **Vote: 17-0** (unanimous).

Finance Committee Report

E. Schwartz reported that the auditor will be at PCL in October; everything is ready for his review. She also reported that the report to OLIS (for the grant in aid match) has been completed.

Development Committee Report

Motion to accept the Committee's recommendation to sign on to Over the Edge for 2019: J. Dagle.

Second: C. Wilmot. **Vote: 15-0-2.** Abstaining: R. Lee, D. Schimberg.

Motion to amend the agenda:

C. Wilmot welcomed Jordan Day, the new mayoral staff representative to the board. She then moved to amend the agenda as follows: Move the Presentation of the Lifetime Achievement Award onto the agenda of the annual meeting. Second: R. Lee. **Vote: 17-0** (unanimous).

Lifetime Achievement Award

Althea Graves presented the PCL Lifetime Achievement Award to Councilman Terrence Hassett for his many years of steadfast advocacy for PCL, for Smith Hill Library, and for the community.

Election of At-Large Board Members

D. Schimberg presented the Governance Committee recommendation that Avital Chatto and Elena Chiaradio be reelected to two-year at-large terms. There were no additional nominations from the

floor. **Vote** to reelect Avital Chatto: **16-0-1**, A. Chatto abstaining. **Vote** to reelect Elena Chiaradio: **16-0-1**, E. Chiaradio abstaining.

Election of Board Officers

D. Schimberg presented the Governance Committee slate of officers: Patricia Raub, President; Kendra Brewster, Vice President; Ken Wise, Secretary; Ellen Schwartz, Treasurer. There were no additional nominations from the floor. Motion to elect the four nominees: D. Schimberg. Second: T. Aguilar. **Vote: 17-0** (unanimous).

President's Closing Remarks

Outgoing President Cyndie Wilmot praised PCL's many successful efforts that greatly benefit the residents of Providence, including school partnerships and GED programs. She thanked the many supporters of PCL, including the Mayor, the City Council, the United Way, and all involved in the Knight Memorial Library project, as well as the dedicated members of PCL's staff and leadership, and its new Library Director, Cheryl Space. She then invited everyone to remain for the remaining events of the evening, including the award presentations, the panel discussion, and remarks by the incoming Board President and by the Library Director.

Motion to Adjourn

A. Graves moved to adjourn the meeting. Second: D. Schimberg. **Vote: 17-0** (unanimous).
The meeting adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Dagle
Secretary