City of Mesa Library Advisory Board Meeting

Date:

May 17, 2016

Time:

5:30 p.m.

Location:

Mesa Public Library

Red Mountain Branch Library, THINKspot

635 N. Power Rd. Mesa, AZ 85205

Members Present

Megan Sterling, Chair Ellen Bachman Pamela Rineholt

Alexis Ross Irene Frklich Cindy Smith Staff Present

Polly Bonnett Nicole Lind

Brandon Williams Sandy Rizzo

Dawn P. Kucerak

Members Absent

Teresa D'Asaro Kathy Tolman Nathaniel Wadsworth **Guests Present**

AGENDA ITEM

DISCUSSION

Call to Order

Board Chair Megan Sterling called the regular bi-monthly meeting of the City of Mesa Library Advisory Board to order at 5:34 p.m. on May 17, 2016.

Approval of Minutes

Board member Pamela Rineholt moved & Board member Cindy Smith seconded that the minutes of the March 15, 2016 regular meeting be approved as presented. Motion passed, all voting yes.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Introductions, Recognitions, and Announcements Board Chair Megan Sterling recognized Board members Teresa D'Asaro and Kathy Tolman's service to the Board. Both Board members' terms conclude on 6/30/16. *Certificates of Recognition* will be mailed to Ms. D'Asaro and Ms. Tolman as they were not present at the meeting. The Board also complimented the Library on the Volunteer dinner held on 4/8/2016 at the East Valley Institute of Technology.

Director's Report

Branch Coordinator Polly Bonnett updated the Board on the following:

FY 2016-17 Budget:

- The Library presented its FY 2016-17 Budget to Council on 4/7/16.
- The library's presentation focused on how the library impacts one of the five Council Strategic Priorities (CSP): Sustainable Economy, Workforce Development, Placemaking, Public Safety and Transforming Neighborhoods.
- The Library directly impacts CSP Workforce Development through computer classes, resume writing and business workshops for adults.

DISCUSSION

Children's and teen programs develop literacy, digital and lifelong learning skills that translate into a better educated workforce.

THINKspot 2.0:

- \$100,000 received from Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community to construct THINKspot 2.0 and an adjacent Teen Space at the Main Library.
- \$100,000 Community Development Block Grant award approved by Council on 5/16/16 to finish the project.
- Council verbalized support for the addition of a Librarian III position to the Library's budget to coordinate THINKspot 2.0.
- Projected completion of construction is the end of 2016 with a tentative opening in March 2017.

Discussion also ensued among the Board about outreach/partnering opportunities between the Library and Mesa Public Schools (MPS) to market THINKspot at Red Mountain Branch Library; Partnering with MPS Technology department and THINKspot article in MPS newsletter.

THINKspot Update

THINKspot Coordinator Sandy Rizzo updated the Board on THINKspot activities and programs using a PowerPoint presentation. Activities and programs included 3D printing, October 2015 anniversary celebration, programming using THINKspot technology, Business 101 Series, ASU Start-up School, and evenings with TED, et al.

Summer Reading Program 2016

Librarian Nicole Lind previewed the 2016 Summer Reading Program (SRP) for the Board using a PowerPoint presentation. This year's SRP is titled *On Your Mark, Get Set...Read!* The theme is "Wellness, Fitness and Sports" – Exercise Your Body & Mind this Summer. The SRP runs June 1 through August 1 at all library locations for all ages. See handout.

Identify items for future agendas

Adult Programming update Tour of the Used Book Sales area Location visits

Adjournment

Board member Irene Frklich moved & Board member Ellen Bachman seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on September 20, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Main Library Boardroom, 64 E. 1st St.

Heather Wolf, Library Director signs for minutes