



# City of Corpus Christi

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## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Library Board

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Tuesday, December 12, 2023

10:30 AM

La Retama Central Library, La Retama Room

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#### A. Call To Order

Laura Garcia, Library Director, called meeting to order at 10:30.

#### B. Introduction of Members

##### 1. [23-1997](#) Introduction of Members

Board members and staff introduced themselves.

#### C. Election of Chairman Pro Tem

##### 2. [23-1976](#) Election of Chairman Pro Tem

- Melinda De Los Santos motioned to elect Carrie Moore for Chairman Pro-Tem, Dolores Rabon seconded the motion.
- Dora Wilburn motioned to elect Alice Hawkins for Chairman Pro-Tem, Carroll Matthews seconded the motion.
- Melinda De Los Santos, Joan Carrillo, Carrie Moore, and Dolores Rabon voted for Carrie Moore.
- Dora Wilburn, Carroll Matthews, and Alice Hawkins voted for Alice Hawkins.
- Carrie Moore received the majority of votes and was elected as Chairman Pro-Tem.

#### D. Roll Call

Present: Joan Carrillo, Melinda De Los Santos, Alice Hawkins, Carroll Mathews, Carrie Moore, Dolores Rabon Dora Wilburn

Absent: Patricia Craig

#### E. Public Comment

- The following citizens expressed support for the new Library Board members: Daniel Resley.
- The following citizens expressed concern about the new Library Board members: Tim Dowling, Nelda Rodriguez, Becky Moeller, Julie Rogers.
- The following citizens expressed concern about materials that can be checked out to minors: Jose Altamirano Sr., Paul Lozuk, Victoria Holland, Jan Kettenring, Samuel Fryer, Robin Cox, Frances Morey, Mike Bergsmo.
- Councilwoman Sylvia Campos was in attendance and expressed that she did not vote for the new members but thinks we can work together.
- Rachel Caballero stated that she was neutral on library board members but states that human trafficking is a threat in low income areas.

**F. Approval of Minutes and Action on Absences**

**3. [23-1977](#) November 7 Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Attachments:**     [November 7 Library Board Minutes - Draft](#)

Carroll Matthews motioned that the November minutes be approved, Alice Hawkins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**G. Election of Officers**

**4. [23-1978](#) Election of Chairman**

- Dora Wilburn motioned to elect Alice Hawkins as Chairperson, Carroll Matthews seconded the motion.
- Melinda De Los Santos motioned to elect Carrie Moore as Chairman, Dolores Rabon seconded the motion.
- Carrie Moore motioned to elect Patricia Craig as Chairman, Dolores Rabon seconded the motion.
- Carroll Matthews motioned to hear from the nominees, Dora Wilburn seconded the motion. Dora Wilburn, Alice Hawkins, and Carroll Matthews voted to approve the motion. Carrie Moore, Joan Carrillo, and Melinda De Los Santos voted against the motion. Dolores Rabon did not vote. A re-vote was held Dora Wilburn, Alice Hawkins, and Carroll Matthews voted to approve the motion. Carrie Moore, Melinda De Los Santos, Joan Carrillo, and Dolores Rabon voted against the motion. The motion to hear from nominees did not pass.
- Alice Hawkins, Dora Wilburn, and Carroll Matthews voted to elect Alice Hawkins for Chairman.
- Nobody voted for Carrie Moore for Chairman.
- Joan Carrillo, Melinda De Los Santos, Carrie Moore, and Dolores Rabon voted for Patricia Craig for Chairman.
- Patricia Craig received the majority of votes and was elected as Chairman.

**5. [23-1979](#) Election of Vice-Chairman**

- Joan Carrillo motioned that Carrie Moore be elected as Vice-Chairman, Melinda De Los Santos seconded the motion.
- Dora Wilburn motioned that Alice Hawkins be elected as Vice-Chairman, Carroll Matthews seconded the motion.
- Carrie Moore, Joan Carrillo, Melinda De Los Santos, and Dolores Rabon voted for Carrie Moore for Vice-Chairman.
- Dora Wilburn, Carroll Matthews, and Alice Hawkins voted for Alice Hawkins for Vice-Chairman.
- Carrie Moore received the majority of votes and was elected as Vice-Chairman.

#### **H. Friends of CCPL Liaison Report**

##### **6. [23-1980](#) Friends of CCPL Liaison Report**

- Laura Garcia provided the Friends of Corpus Christi Public Libraries membership envelopes, for past several years it has been recommended that Library Board members support the Friends of CCPL by becoming members.
- Friends held the sensory room check presentation, from two private donors, earlier this week. The sensory room is scheduled to open by March 2024.
- The Friends have submitted their nominee for the Library Board seat.

#### **I. Director's Report**

##### **7. [23-1983](#) Director's Report**

- Budget initiatives- Council approved two Librarian positions and increasing Security Guard service hours at branch locations. The hiring process for the two Librarian positions has been completed. The Security Guard contract should be going to City Council in January.
- An overview of the library's website, including new online brochure format, winter coat drive and pet supply donation drive.
- All library locations will be closed from December 25th through January 1st unless needed for warming centers.
- We will be running a winter reading challenge, December 18 through January 13, using the new app READsquared.
- An overview of the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program was provided.
- Hoopla was discontinued effective 12/5. The Hotspot program funded by a \$2.4 million grant will expire 12/31, positive feedback was received. Staff is looking for other funding sources.
- Community Court at the Library is a partnership with Municipal Court, residents will be able to meet with judges to resolve cases. Will be offered once a month at a different library location on Saturdays.

#### **J. Unfinished Business**

None

**K. New Business for Discussion and Possible Action****8. [23-1984](#) Annual Report Update**

- Annual Report Update- Board members were given a copy of the annual report form. The report is due in January.

**L. Future Agenda Items**

None

**M. Adjournment**

Adjournment at 12:02 pm.