# MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BUENA PARK LIBRARY DISTRICT May 10, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: President Rams called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Pat Ganer, Carole Jensen, Richard Rams, Al Salehi.

Staff Present:

Library Director Helen Medina, Technology and Support Services Supervisor

Ann Duarte, Circulation Services Supervisor Caroline, and Administrative

Assistant Patty Salas.

Guests:

Ms. Chevenne Traut

### ORAL COMMUNICATION

a) From Public Concerning Non-Agenda Items

No comments.

b) Board Members' Reports on Conferences Attended or Meetings Scheduled

None.

### II. NEW BUSINESS

a) Interview of Candidates for the Library Board of Trustees Vacancy

The Library Board of Trustees has one vacancy due to the resignation of Irene Castaneda. One person applied to be considered for appointment in lieu of an election.

The Board welcomed and introduced Ms. Cheyenne Traut to the meeting. She would be discussing her candidacy for the vacancy on the Board.

The Board asked the following questions:

- Please explain why you are interested in becoming a Library Trustee. What do you see as the role of a trustee?
- What do you think the Library's most important roles are for the community?
- Please discuss how your former and current activities and accomplishments in the community will support your ability to serve effectively as a Trustee?
- If a patron came to the Board objecting about the inclusion of a book or a class of books in the collection, how would you proceed?

All questions were answered in Open Session. Ms. Traut thanked the Board for the opportunity to discuss her qualifications.

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b) Selection of a Trustee nominee to Recommend for Appointment by the Orange County Board of Supervisors

MOTION by Trustee Jensen to recommend Cheyenne Traut be appointed to the vacant seat. SECOND by Trustee Ganer.

Trustee Ganer stated she was very comfortable with recommending Ms. Traut for appointment to the vacant seat. Trustee Ganer felt Ms. Traut recognizes the duties and role of a Library Trustee and understands the importance of a Library.

Trustee Salehi stated he agreed with Trustee Ganer.

President Rams stated he was looking for someone who is committed to the community and Ms. Traut has demonstrated that and has a passion for learning and literacy.

AYES: Trustee Ganer, Trustee Jensen, Trustee Rams, Trustee Salehi.

MOTION approved.

c) Consideration and approval of the Transmittal of Election Information for the District

MOTION by Trustee Ganer that the District would not pay for a Candidate statement and limit it to 200 words. SECOND by Trustee Jensen.

Trustee Salehi asked why the Board shouldn't consider a 400-word limit. Trustee Ganer replied that it was possible to make your point with 200-words and a 400-word limit would be cost prohibitive for some and may discourage them from running for a seat on the Board.

AYES: Trustee Ganer, Trustee Jensen, Trustee Rams, Trustee Salehi.

MOTION approved.

## III. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Gann Limit Resolution in June
- b) Annual Investment Policy review in June
- c) Adoption of Final Budget in July
- d) Review of past year's Service Accomplishments in July
- e) Service Objectives for new fiscal year in July

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Trustee Jensen to adjourn the meeting. SECOND by Trustee Salehi.

AYES: Trustee Ganer, Trustee Jensen, Trustee Rams, Trustee Salehi.

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Motion approved. The meeting stood adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Submitted by,

Carole Jensen
Secretary