



MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO

TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2026
6:00 P.M.

LIBRARY | PARKS AND RECREATION
COMMUNITY ROOM, 2nd FLOOR
901 CIVIC CAMPUS WAY, SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

CALL TO ORDER

Catherine Abalos called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Catherine Abalos, President
Claire Ramsey, Vice President
Mary Giusti, Secretary

Absent: Hector Camacho, Board member

Staff Present: Valerie Sommer, Library Director,
Adam Elsholz, Assistant Library Director
Erika Madriz, Administrative Assistant II,
Brian Malibiran, Patron Services Manager

Public: Demetria Vong-Spillan

AGENDA REVIEW

- No changes

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Written Comments Submitted:

- 0

The following individuals addressed the Library Board:

- 0

ITEMS FROM STAFF MEMBERS

1. **American Library Association (ALA) 2026 Annual Conference Recap (Brian Malibiran, Patron Services Manager)**

Patron Services Manager Brian Malibiran shared with the Board his experience attending the 2026 Annual ALA Conference. Notable speakers included Lavar Burton, Rachel Maddow, Melissa Villasenor, and Dr. Jill Biden.

2. Measure K Grant Programming Wrap-Up (Valerie Sommer, Library Director)

Library Director Valerie Sommer discussed the inception of the Measure K funding, the goals of the grant, and the programming the Library was able to offer as part of Measure K to meet those goals. Notable programming included the author talk and meet and greet with Mychal Threets, Resident Librarian for Reading Rainbow.

3. Library Director's Report (Valerie Sommer, Library Director)

The Board reviewed the Library Director's Report.

4. Communications and Statistics

The Board reviewed the Communications and Statistics.

5. Library Announcements

The Board reviewed the announcements.

6. Library Recruitments Update

The Board reviewed the list of open Library recruitments.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

7. Motion to Approve the Minutes of the June 23, 2026, Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Motion – Claire Ramsey / Second – Mary Giusti: To approve the Draft Minutes from the June 23, 2026, Library Board of Trustees Meeting. All members were in favor.

ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

8. Next Meeting | Agenda Building

The Board discussed agenda items for the next Library Board meeting. Potential new items include moving the upcoming October, November, and December meeting dates/location due to the State of the City, Vote Center and the upcoming holidays; reviewing the 2027 Holiday Schedule and considering various updated library policies.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, President Catherine Abalos adjourned the Library Board meeting at 6:46 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Erika Madriz
Administrative Assistant II

Catherine Abalos
Library Board President

Approved by the Library Board: ____ / ____ / ____