Carrollton Public Library Board Minutes for July 17, 2023

Members Present:

Members Absent:

Staff Present:

Isam Abousaid, Chair

Elizabeth Blake-Hedges

Jonathan Scheu, Library Dir. Rachel Young, Library Mgr.

Viccy Kemp Sem Habtemariam Rajiv Shenoy Shana Garrett

Lynette Jones, Library Mgr.

Linda Villemarette Janet Koslovsky

Visitors Present:

Rosario Klier

None

Joanna Cattanach, Alternate

Meeting Minutes

- 1. CALL TO ORDER Chairperson, Isam Abousaid, called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES The April 3, 2023 meeting minutes were approved as submitted. Motion made by Janet Koslovsky, seconded by Viccy Kemp, and passed unanimously.
- 3. UPDATE ON SUMMER READING CHALLENGE Library Manager, Rachel Young, presented an update on the 2023 Summer Reading Challenge. While the program will not officially end until August 1, program statistics to date are on track or trending ahead of last year.
 - Discussion followed regarding library efforts to promote and advertise the challenge, including coordination efforts with local schools, printing off book lists, and promoting program schedules.
- 4. UPDATE ON NEW LIBRARY INITIATIVES Library Manager, Rachel Young, presented an update of new and upcoming library initiatives to be launched soon, including improved sensory inclusion efforts at both libraries, the implementation of The Family Place grant at Josey Ranch Lake Library, and new communication and outreach efforts via e-newsletters and QR codes.
- 5. STAFF REPORTS Library Director, Jonathan Scheu, presented the Library Performance Dashboard reports for March 2023 May 2023. Changes and revisions were explained and new trends identified for increased focus and observation going forward.
 - Library Manager, Rachel Young, presented upcoming library programming and volunteer opportunities for the fall of 2023 including the Metrocrest Community Job Fair, Hispanic Heritage month, Teen Advisory Council, and the Enchanted Library special event.

Library Manager, Lynette Jones, announced the recent hiring of the Collection Resources

Supervisor and provided an update on efforts to hire and onboard several Library Technician and Access Service Assistant positions.

- 6. POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION Library Director, Jonathan Scheu, communicated that staff would bring an update on the library's digital resources to a future board meeting. Board members were encouraged to communicate additional ideas that occur outside of meetings to Jonathan Scheu or Isam Abousaid directly. This item will be carried over to October's agenda for further discussion.
- 7. ADJOURN Chairperson, Isam Abousaid, requested a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Viccy Kemp, seconded by Sem Habtemariam, and passed unanimously at 7:33 p.m. The next meeting will be October 2, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Ísam Abousaid, Chairperson Jonathan Scheu, Library Director