



# MINUTES

LIBRARY BOARD  
MAY 18, 2021  
5:45 PM  
VIRTUAL MEETING

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:**

Member Elizabeth Alarid  
Member Sarah Jacobs  
Member Brecken Larson  
Member Rebecca Phillips  
Member Richard Ryan

**Members Excused:**

Member Marie Schow  
Member Carlo Brady

**Others Attending:**

Maria Tucker, Library Division Director  
Gail Vigil, Contracts Administrator

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Member Ryan moved, seconded by Member Alarid, to approve the as presented.

**VOTE:** The motion was approved on the following Roll Call vote:

**For:** Member Alarid, Member Jacobs, Member Larson, Member Phillips, Member Ryan

**Against:** None

**Abstain:** None

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. Approval of March 16<sup>th</sup> Minutes

**MOTION:** Member Jacobs moved, seconded by Member Larson, to approve the as presented.



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**VOTE:** The motion was approved on the following Roll Call vote:

**For:** Member Alarid, Member Jacobs, Member Larson, Member Phillips, Member Ryan

**Against:** None

**Abstain:** None

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

6. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The Library is working on procedures for a safe COVID opening with mask requirements, social distancing, time limits on public computers and outdoor programming for kids.

Library staff has been organizing and preparing to welcome back our patrons to a healthy, safe environment.

The Library's Tech Connect program has been a success! This program connects our community with technology to help meet the personal and professional needs of our patrons. Patrons can check out laptops or hotspots for 2 weeks or the library also offers an express checkout which allows patrons a 1 hour check out within the library.

7. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion Item - Big Read (Maria E. Tucker, Library Director: [metucker@santafenm.gov](mailto:metucker@santafenm.gov), 505-955-6788)

The Library is in process of finalizing the NEA Big Read program for 2021. This program helped us build relationships with new partners throughout New Mexico and helped our Library bring in new programs for all ages. The NEA Big Read was a great success and we look forward to Big Read in the fall of 2022!

- b. Discussion item – Friends updates (Jaap Vermeulen, Friends of the Library board member, [verjaap@gmail.com](mailto:verjaap@gmail.com))



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- c. Discussion Item – Library Board Annual Objectives Maria E. Tucker, Library Director: [metucker@santafenm.gov](mailto:metucker@santafenm.gov), 505-955-6788

The Library would like to focus on how we can develop more relationships with Santa Fe County.

- Focus groups
- Funding sources.

The Library would like to look at a plan for the collection at Midtown Library and whether we are able to make access to the collection to serve the community in the near future.

- d. Discussion item – Strategic Plan Maria E. Tucker, Library Director; [metucker@santafenm.gov](mailto:metucker@santafenm.gov), (505) 955-6788

The Library's plan is to focus on hiring all open positions within the three Library locations. Once staff are hired, we will need to train and prepare to open the Libraries for the public with health guidelines in place.

## 9. OLD BUSINESS

Elizabeth Alarid – Congratulations to Maria Tucker & Library staff for a successful Big Read Program!

## 10. NEXT MEETING: June 15 2021

## 11. ADJOURN

Gail Vigil  
Liaison

Marie Schow  
Marie Schow (Aug 27, 2021 11:40 MDT)  
Chair