

**PALM SPRINGS LIBRARY BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup> 2026 6:30PM  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Present:** Chairman Michelle Dunlap, Board Members, Robin Hughes, Lenore DiRienzo, Enrico DiRienzo, Aarika Stacey-Hill  
Staff Liaison: Lauren Bennett and Claudia M. Ruiz.  
Absent: Ashley Calderon

**The meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by Chairman Michelle Dunlap. Roll call followed.**

**Approval of Agenda and add-ons:**

Lauren Bennett added item under New Business, Career Day.  
Lenore DiRienzo made a motion to approve. Enrico DiRienzo seconded the motion; the motion carried.

**Approval of minutes:**

Robin Hughes made a motion for approval of minutes with a correction of a typographical error, Enrico DiRienzo seconded the motion, and it carried.

**New Business:**

- Joseph Fallon Scholarship, three applications were received and the committee will meet April 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss it.
- Read Across America/ Dr. Seuss Day we had 20 staff members that volunteered to read. They read to about 2500 students; they read to both local elementary schools and daycares in the area.
- Spring break programs started on Monday; we hosted a Board Game Day where 28 people attended. Today program was a St. St. Patrick's Day program and 39 attended. Steam day is tomorrow and Sand Art is on Thursday.
- Budget preparation for FY27. The budget submissions were due today. We kept the libraries budget at zero base, copy and paste from last year and basically just moving some items around where staff really needs it and changing some names to what they are currently called. Just keeping an eye on the current property tax proposals.
- Daycare tours continue to happen at the library, last week more than 60 children came and toured the facility and had lots of fun.
- Library attended Taco Fiesta event, and it was a very successful one with over 5000 people throughout the day.
- Career Day at C.O.T. Kirklane elementary and staff read to about 300 students and gave away about 250 goodie bags.

**Old Business:**

- New books are coming in from Ingram. The first round of books delivered were not processed but staff are doing that in the meantime, we will be meeting with Ingram to find out more.
- LibCal is now obtained and Lauren will be setting it up very soon, since the guide on how to is now received.

**Member Comments:**

- A member of the African Violets group will be contacting Lauren Bennett to discuss a solution regarding the meeting room policy and use.

**Public Comment:**

**N/A**

**Next Meeting:**

- Next meeting will be April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

**Adjournment**

Enrico DiRienzo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lenore DiRienzo seconded motion: meeting was adjourned at 6:44p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia M. Ruiz  
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