

MINUTES
PLACENTIA LIBRARY DISTRICT
SPECIAL DATE MEETING OF THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FEBRUARY 15, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

President Martin called the Unusual Date Meeting of the Placentia Library District (PLD) Board of Trustees to order on February 15, 2022 at 6:33 p.m.

Members Present: President Jo-Anne Martin, Secretary Gayle Carline, Trustee Sherri Dahl, Trustee Al Shkoler.

Members Absent: Trustee Hilaire Shioura.

Staff Present: Jeanette Contreras, Library Director; Yesenia Baltierra, Assistant Library Director; Fernando Maldonado, Business Manager; Lina Nguyen, Executive Assistant.

Counsel Present: David DeBerry, Woodruff, Spradlin & Smart.

Guests: Stephanie Beverage, resident; John Sparks, resident; Carlos, resident; Mary, resident; Dawn Miller, resident; Katie Matas, Acquisitions Librarian; Luke H., resident; Laura DeLeon, Library Clerk; Naydia Chantarasompoth, PLFF President; Wendy Amireh; Supervising Librarian; 17147778726, resident

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

It was motioned by President Martin to adopt the agenda as presented. It was then moved by Trustee Dahl and seconded by Trustee Dahl to adopt the agenda (Item 3).

AYES:	Martin, Carline, Dahl, Shkoler
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Shioura

ORAL COMMUNICATION

Stephanie Beverage, resident and library patron, introduced herself to the Board and stated she supports the resolution to censure Trustee Shioura. Laura DeLeon, Library Clerk of the Placentia Library District called in through Zoom and stated she also supports the resolution to censure Trustee Shiroua. (Item 4).

**CONSIDERATION OF
RESOLUTION 2022-01: A
RESOLUTION OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE PLACENTIA LIBRARY
DISTRICT OF ORANGE
COUNTY TO CENSURE
TRUSTEE HILAIRE SHIOURA.**

Library Director Contreras asked District Counsel DeBerry to give a summary of the activities leading to tonight's meeting for the Consideration of Resolution 2022-01. Counsel DeBerry stated this was the second step in the Board's censure policy process.

President Martin wanted it entered into the record that Trustee Shioura had acknowledged receipt of the board book with tonight's agenda. Through several email exchanges between President Martin, Trustee Shioura, and Director Contreras, Trustee Shioura was asked if he would like to provide written submission of his comments in lieu of attending tonight's meeting, but no such communication had been received at this time.

As stated in the last meeting, President Martin noted this was the first time in the District's 102 years of serving the community that censure was being considered. It was not a decision made lightly, and a great deal of thought and discussion when into how to proceed.

President Martin reiterated the definition of censure:

“Censure is a formal Resolution of the Board reprimanding on of its own Trustees for specified conduct, generally a violation of law, regulation, District policy or conduct otherwise detrimental to the to the District’s mission. This policy is intended to provide the mechanism by which the Board, acting as a majority, can censure a Trustee for such conduct. Censure by nature is not disciplinary, but rather a formal statement by the Board of its displeasure with a Trustee’s conduct it views as significantly detrimental to the District’s mission.”

All Trustees voiced their support for the resolution.

With advisement from Counsel DeBerry, President Martin recommended the vote to approve the censure resolution be moved to the next meeting to allow Trustee Shioura another fair and open opportunity to address the censure charges. At the next meeting, discussion on this item will be limited to only hearing from Trustee Shioura, and any responses from the Board.

Trustee Shkoler motioned to continue this item to the next board meeting. The motion was seconded by Secretary Carline. A roll call vote was taken:

AYES:	Martin, Carline, Dahl, Shkoler
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Shioura

ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Board Meeting will be on February 23, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

The Board of Trustees Special Date Meeting of February 15, 2022 was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.



Jo-Anne Martin, President
Library Board of Trustees



Gayle Carline, Secretary
Library Board of Trustees