

**MINUTES
PLACENTIA LIBRARY DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
August 9, 1993**

CALL TO ORDER The Regular Meeting of the Placentia Library District Board of Trustees was called to order on August 9, 1993, at 7:40 P.M. by President Peggy Dinsmore.

ROLL CALL **Members Present:** President Peggy Dinsmore; Secretary Saundra Stark; Trustees Ray Evans, Al Shkoler, and Fred West; and Library Director Elizabeth Minter.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Administrative Assistant Charlene Dumitru; Principal Librarian Suad Ammar; and Placentia residents.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA It was moved by Secretary Stark, seconded by Trustee Evans to adopt the Agenda as presented.

AYES: Dinsmore, Stark, Shkoler, Evans, West
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

MINUTES It was moved by Trustee West, seconded by Secretary Stark to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 19, 1993 as presented.

AYES: Dinsmore, Stark, Shkoler, Evans, West
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS Placentia resident Mary Tanaka suggested that the Library might benefit from more extensive automation and proposed that electronics firms be contacted to solicit donations of computer equipment to the Library.

**BOARD
PRESIDENT'S
REPORT**

President Dinsmore reported that the retirement dinner for Assistant Library Director Sal Addotta will take place on August 12, 1993 and programs will be available within a few days for those who are attending.

FINANCIAL CLAIMS

It was moved by Trustee West, seconded by Trustee Evans to approve Agenda Items 6 through 8: Nonstandard Claims; Claims forwarded by the Library Director; and Current Claims and Payroll in the amount of \$62,362.55 as presented.

AYES: Dinsmore, Stark, Shkoler, Evans West
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

**GENERAL CONSENT
CALENDAR**

It was moved by Trustee West, seconded by Trustee Shkoler to receive and file Agenda Items 9 through 12: Vending Machine Report for June, 1993; Review of Shared Maintenance Costs with the City of Placentia under the Joint Powers Authority; Personnel Report for June, 1993; and Travel Authorizations.

AYES: Dinsmore, Stark, Shkoler, Evans, West
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

FY1993-1994 BUDGET

Library Director spoke about the budget cutbacks and staff reductions and the number of employees required to provide public service.

It was moved by Trustee Shkoler, seconded by Trustee Evans to open discussion to public comments.

AYES: Dinsmore, Stark, Shkoler, Evans, West
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

Placentia resident Ramon Olayo addressed the Board stating that as many service hours as possible be retained. He indicated his belief that funds have been misappropriated by larger government bodies and that the public could help by writing letters to their State legislators.

Placentia resident Carl Westberg asked the Board to define how many employees were required per hour of operation. He encouraged donations for the purchase of Library materials and also for staffing.

Placentia resident Dean Cassidy read a letter she had received from Senator John Lewis regarding Senate Bill 566. She encouraged members of the public to continue to contact State legislators.

Placentia resident Howard Gailey stated that the City of Placentia should give funding to the Library. He expressed his disapproval that historical property tax designated to the Library has been appropriated by other agencies.

Santa Ana resident and Placentia Library cardholder Edie O'Neil suggested that organizations and special interest groups be contacted to solicit donations to purchase books for the Library.

Placentia resident April Ottavian suggested special fundraisers for the Library and asking radio stations in the area to donate advertising time to promote the fundraisers.

Placentia resident Susan Graham suggested that the Library stagger hours of operation and that the Library be kept open on Fridays and Sundays. She suggested that the Library should assist patrons in writing letters to the State legislators.

Placentia resident Betty Meade discussed opportunities for publicity and more fundraisers to support the Library.

Placentia resident Ted Farkas stated that most adults would like Library service available in the evenings and on weekends, but that student need afternoon hours. He said he would like to have Saturday and Sunday

and two or three evenings per week retained. He supports charging for Library Services, but exempting children and low income persons from fees. He stated that no one should be denied access to the Library. He felt that Children's services were most important and then References services. He stated that he did not believe funding would be available from the State.

Placentia Resident and President of the Literacy Volunteers of America Board Leslie Moreau asked what amount would be needed from a Benefit Assessment District to support the Library. She reminded those present at the meeting the Library had provided sample letters to the legislature for the last several months.

Placentia Resident Marlene Montooth suggested extending the use of Library Volunteers. She also spoke in favor of all adult library users paying a \$10.00 per year fee for a Library Card, but children being exempt from any usage fees.

Placentia Resident Heidi Jenkins stated that many families cannot afford to pay Library usage fees and that charging such fees would discourage reading.

Placentia Resident Dixie Shaw suggested a donation box be placed in the foyer. She stated that the Library should advertise for Volunteers at the upcoming Volunteer Fair. She encouraged donations for the purchase of Library materials through the Friends of the Library.

Placentia Mayor Maria Morena commended the Library Board and Staff on their efforts in contacting State Legislators. She suggested that the Library investigate the possibility of funding through United Way and encouraged the establishment of a Library Foundation.

Placentia resident Susan Graham stated that even those who do not use the Library themselves should understand that the Library benefits the entire community.

It was moved by Trustee Shkoler, seconded by Secretary Stark to close the public discussion.

AYES:	Dinsmore, Stark, Shkoler, Evans, West
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

It was moved by Trustee West, seconded by Trustee Evans that the Library should not institute mandatory fees for Library use.

AYES: Dinsmore, Stark, Shkoler, Evans, West
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Trustee Shkoler, seconded by Trustee Evans to establish Library Hours of Service as specified in Staff Recommendation A, as follows:

Sunday	1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Monday	12:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Tuesday	12:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Wednesday	12:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Thursday	10:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

AYES: Dinsmore, Evans
NOES: Stark, Shkoler, West
ABSTAIN: None

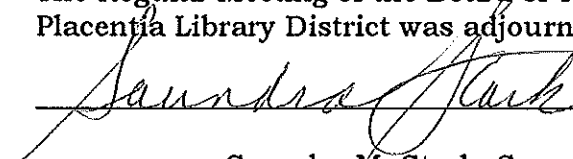
After discussion regarding levels of public service in relation to Service Hours it was moved by Trustee Shkoler, seconded by Trustee Evans to reconsider the vote on the previous motion to establish Library Hours of Service as specified in Staff Recommendation A.

AYES: Dinsmore, Shkoler, Evans, West
NOES: Stark
ABSTAIN: None

It was moved by Trustee Shkoler, seconded by Secretary Stark to receive and file Agenda Items 14 through 16: Program Report for the Month of July, 1993; Children's Services Report for the Month of July, 1993; Publicity Materials produced for the Month of July, 1993.

AYES: Dinsmore, Stark, Shkoler, Evans, West
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Placentia Library District was adjourned at 10:38 P.M.



Sandra M. Stark, Secretary