

**VISTA GRANDE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**  
**MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023**

IN ATTENDANCE: Jim Zebora, Gemma Hall, James (Dusty) Caruso, Joe Durlak, Nancy Ostiguy, Kris Sefton, Charles Trainor, Nina Harrison, Donna Mazzola, Lisa Carlson, and Julia Kelso (late).

ABSENT: Abby Smith and Charles Abernethy

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no members of the public present and, thus, no public comments.

3. ADDITIONS/MODIFICATIONS TO MEETING AGENDA:

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A Motion was made by Donna Mazzola to approve the Minutes of the December 2022 Meeting. The Motion was seconded by Kris Sefton and a vote was taken, which was unanimously approved.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Donna Mazzola presented her Report.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

-Executive Committee did not meet.

-Finance Committee did not meet.

-Development Committee met and Gemma Hall presented her Report regarding the Johnny Boggs Book Signing Event, the completion of the Silent Auction, the Op. Cit. Book Sale, the Fall Appeal update, the Art Exhibit and Reception, and a discussion was held regarding the preparation of an Endowment Letter to be present to members of the New Mexico State Government. Finally, the concept of "Partners Sponsorship" levels was discussed.

-Nominating Committee did not meet.

-Community and Government Relations Committee met on January 12, 2023. Dusty Caruso, Committee Chair, gave a Report regarding his

progress with VGPL's request for additional signage by the County of Santa Fe (a meeting with a County representative is scheduled), the availability of placing VGPL notices and news in the Constituent Newsletter of County Commissioner Hank Hughes, and the next Trivia Night

OLD BUSINESS:

VGPL signage request

NEW BUSINESS:

Nancy Ostiguy presented Lisa Carlson, a prospective new VGPL Board Member. Lisa introduced herself and a Motion was made by Jim Zebora to accept her as a new Board member. The Motion was seconded by Nancy Ostiguy and a vote was taken to appoint Lisa Carlson to the Board, which was unanimously approved.

-In addition, the following new VGPL Board Members have been appointed by consensus of the VGPL Board and the date of their respective appointments are as follows:

- Donna Mazzola, December 22, 2022
- Charles Abernathy, December 22, 2022
- Nina Harrison, December 22, 2022

\* Each new Board Member will officially stand for election at the VGPL Board's Annual Meeting, to be held in July 2023.

-The formation of an *ad hoc* By Laws Committee was discussed by Jim Zebora. Nancy Ostiguy volunteered to be the Chair of this Committee, with Nina Harrison, Joe Durlak, and Jim Zebora also volunteering to serve on the Committee.

-A sign-up sheet for the Op. Cit. Book Sale was circulated.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

-Julia Kelso presented her Report and provided updated statistics. She also discussed the Amazon Smile Program's decision to drop the VGPL from participation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Charles Trainor has tendered his resignation from the VGPL Board, effective January 31, 2023.

NEXT MEETING:

Scheduled for February 20, 2023.

MEETING ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion to Adjourn the Meeting was made by Dusty, was seconded by Kris, and was unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.