

**PUEBLO CITY-COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING TO  
RECOMMEND A LIBRARY BOARD MEMBER**

**September 1, 2017**

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The special meeting of the Pueblo City-County Library District Board of Trustees was called to order in the Executive Conference Room at the Rawlings Library at 9:00 a.m. by President Fredrick Quintana.

Board Members Present: Fredrick Quintana, President; Marlene Bregar; Lyndell Gairaud; Philip Mancha

Board Members Absent: Doreen Martinez; Jim Stuart

Staff Present: Jon Walker, Executive Director; Jane Carlsen, Board Secretary

Candidates for Board: Jeremiah Blaha, Stephanie Garcia, and Dawn DiPrince

**II. CORRECTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA**     None

**III. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Conduct Interviews with Library Board Candidates**

**1. Interviews**

A brief informal discussion was held among Board members and Mr. Walker prior to beginning the interviews with each candidate.

**a. Jeremiah Blaha.**

**b. Stephanie Garcia.**

**c. Dawn DiPrince.**

The Board of Trustees introduced themselves to each candidate. The first candidate, Mr. Jeremiah Blaha, was interviewed at 9:00 a.m.; Ms. Stephanie Garcia was interviewed at 9:30 a.m.; and Ms. DiPrince was interviewed at 10:00 a.m. Board members presented a set of questions that had been developed beforehand. Each candidate was given the opportunity to ask any questions they had, and Board members responded to those questions. After each interview, Mr. Quintana explained to the candidates that the Board would present its recommendation to the County, City and/or County officials may conduct additional interviews, the appointment would be made by both City Council and County Commissioners, and any further communication would come from the County. Mr. Quintana thanked each candidate for their interest in serving on the Library Board of Trustees and for their time to meet with the Board.

After each candidate departed, each Board member completed a scoring sheet to objectively measure the responses from each candidate.

After all interviews had been completed, the scoring sheets were calculated and averaged. Mr. Quintana reported that Mr. Blaha had an average score of 13.8, Ms. Garcia had an average score of 18.5, and Ms. DiPrince had an average score of 17.6. There was additional discussion of the interview responses from each of the candidates, and there was overall agreement that Ms. Garcia was the best candidate. The Board was also in agreement that each of the candidates could bring value to the Library Board, and the merits of each candidate were discussed in further detail.

Ms. Gairaud suggested that even the candidates who are not ultimately selected should be encouraged to serve on the Friends of the Library Board or Library Foundation Board at some point in the future.

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After additional discussion, the Board agreed its recommendation for the County Commissioners would be Stephanie Garcia for the Library Board vacancy.

Dr. Mancha made a Motion, seconded by Ms. Gairaud, that the Board of Trustees recommend Stephanie Garcia to fill the Library Board vacancy that would begin as soon as possible and continue through December 31, 2018.

There being no further discussion, MOTION CARRIED 4-0 which included Mr. Quintana's vote.

**II. ADJOURNMENT** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Carlsen  
Secretary

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