

# City of Apache Junction, Arizona

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# Meeting Minutes Library Board Special Meeting

Doors are open to the public at least 15 minutes prior to the posted meeting start time.

Thursday, September 11, 2025

6:30 PM

**City Council Chambers** 

#### A. Call to Order

President Borey called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

#### B. Roll Call

**Present:** 6 - President Borey

Vice President Barker Secretary Fitzgerald Boardmember Walters Boardmember Meek Boardmember Perkins

**Excused:** 1 - Boardmember Bigelow

# C. Acceptance of Agenda

This was accepted

Yes 6 - President Borey, Vice President Barker, Secretary Fitzgerald, Boardmember

Walters, Boardmember Meek, and Boardmember Perkins

**No** 0

Excused 1 - Boardmember Bigelow

### D. Acceptance of Minutes for June 12, 2025 Special Meeting

This was accepted

Yes 6 - President Borey, Vice President Barker, Secretary Fitzgerald, Boardmember

Walters, Boardmember Meek, and Boardmember Perkins

**No** 0

**Excused** 1 - Boardmember Bigelow

#### E. Call to the Public

None.

# F. Correspondence and Communications

None.

# G. Librarian's Report

Director Harrison presented the monthly statistics for June and July and shared the "Back to

School" outreach initiative prepared by Megan Carbiener.

Boardmember Perkins reported from Thailand that books provided by the library generated interest at the school, leading to the start of a storytime program. In addition, 200 simple books for preschool and primary students were purchased to send home with families.

Summer Reading Program statistics were reviewed.

Director Harrison highlighted recent and upcoming events:

Town Hall with Senator Ruben Gallego (August 11): Mayor Wilson opened the event and introduced the Senator, who discussed how federal policies are impacting communities. More than 100 people were in attendance.

Arizona@Work Partnership: The library has entered into a memorandum of understanding to serve as an access point for job seekers. Pinal County career coaches will provide assistance and resources on-site. A schedule of their availability will be finalized soon.

Library Website: A new website is being developed, designed to be more user-friendly, with improved navigation and easier access to resources. The goal is to increase community use and engagement.

Library Reading Garden: The project remains in the design phase with further adjustments expected. Construction is anticipated to begin before the end of the year.

Library Card Sign-Up Month: Patrons may exchange their current library cards for the new Pinal County card free of charge.

Service Awards: Staff were recognized for their service milestones, including Penny Brumbaugh (5 years) and Megan Sparks (20 years).

#### H. Old Business

None.

#### I. New Business

1. 25-393 Presentation and discussion on the 2025 - 2028 Library Strategic Plan.

Director Harrison reviewed the new strategic plan for fiscal year 2026-2028.

# J. Requests for Future Agenda Items

None.

# K. Adjournment

President	Borey	adjourned	the	meeting a	at '	7:20pm

Judy Borey	
President	