



Legislation Text

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Requested Agenda Title:

Library Board Appointment(s):

Kaati Tarr, District 6

William "Bill" Scarber, District 3

Requested Agenda Item Description: The County Library currently has two open Library Board positions on its nine-member board. During the past few months, we have conducted a recruitment for prospective new members and received 12 applications. Ultimately, six of the candidates chose to complete a supplemental questionnaire and one withdrew. The remaining candidates were well qualified and highly motivated to serve.

In reviewing their applications and answers to our supplemental questions we considered the following: •The current composition of the board •Distribution of representation throughout the county •Representation of diverse communities •Skills and experience that support library priorities •Understanding of library principles of intellectual freedom and personal privacy and the role of the library in the community now and into the future.

Our board is currently composed of one individual from Council District 1, one from Council District 2, two from Council District 4, and two from Council District 6. All are women except for our Council representative. They have experience in education, early literacy, and human resources, and their skills and experience support the library's priorities of early literacy and lifelong education. After carefully reviewing the applications and supplemental questionnaires for our vacant positions, we would like to recommend the following two individuals be forwarded to the Council for approval.

•Kaati Tarr - Council District 6, Sandy, a first generation Tongan-American and first in her family to graduate from college. She is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker currently serving on her local elementary and middle school community council. She was nominated by Holly Yocom.

•Bill Scarber - Council District 3, West Valley City, a lawyer with a Juris Doctorate and Master of Social Work, previously a Coolidge City Library board member and a NAMI of Arizona board member.

Requested Action: Discussion - Vote Needed

Presenter(s) (with titles): Holly Yocom, Department Director of Community Services

Time Needed: Less than 5 MINS

Is this Item Time-Sensitive and/or Requesting a Time-Certain? Yes and I will send the request in writing

Requesting Staff Member: Michelle Hicks, Operations Manager

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