



# CITY OF LAS CRUCES

## MINUTES

### LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

Thursday, December 11, 2025

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5 1. Call to Order – President Stephen Jones called the meeting to order at 3:00 P.M. Library  
6 Advisory Board (LAB) Members present: President Stephen Jones, Vice-President  
7 Maryann Hendrickson, Secretary Jennifer Kreie, and Members Jessica Streeeter, Erin  
8 Wahl, and Jason Ferguson. Members absent: Member Denali Wilson. Also, in attendance:  
9 Sarah Booth, Library Deputy Director; Carol Brey, Quality of Life Director, and Dan  
10 Carrillo, Administrative Assistant.

11 a. Secretary Jennifer Kreie read the *Land Acknowledgement Statement*.

12 b. Acceptance of December 11, 2025, Agenda – President Stephen Jones called for  
13 a motion to approve as presented; Vice-President Maryann Hendrickson voiced a  
14 motion to approve; Member Erin Wahl seconded the motion; all voted in favor;  
15 motion carried.

16 2. Review and Approval of October 23, 2025, Minutes – President Stephen Jones called for  
17 a motion to approve as amended; Secretary Jennifer Kreie voiced a motion to approve;  
18 Member Jason Ferguson seconded the motion; all voted in favor; motion carried.

19 3. Library Deputy Directors Report – Sarah Booth, Library Deputy Director, presented the  
20 following:

21 a. Library Statistics & Other Information

22 i. Our goal this year has been to continuously increase cardholders. So far  
23 this calendar. year, we have added 5,061 new cardholders. We are still  
24 hoping to add more people during this month. We currently have 56,341  
25 library card holders.

26 ii. In November we checked out 21,286 physical items and 1,583 digital items.

1           iii.    The public computers are continuing to be popular. In November, we had  
2                   1,665 sessions at all locations, with 70,697 minutes of use. Currently, the  
3                   computers have been used for 310,327 minutes this year. Patrons have  
4                   printed 7,002 pages during the month of November. This includes 391 color  
5                   pages. We earned \$828.90 for print jobs.

6           b. Personnel Updates

7           i.    Librarian II (Collection Development): This position closed on November  
8                   24, 2025, with 19 applicants. Unfortunately, this position is on hold by the  
9                   City of Las Cruces.

10          ii.   Library Page: The new person will begin on Monday, December 15, 2025.

11          iii.   Library Assistant I P/T: Megan Romero is leaving the library on December  
12                   20, 2025. Since most positions are on hold by the City at the moment, we  
13                   will be writing a memo to see if we can fill this position.

14          c. Library Programs & Events, Other Information and Updates

15          i.    We hosted a very successful BRLA Fall Conference in November. Over 80  
16                   librarians from around the region -attended. Speakers included Mayor  
17                   Enriquez and Senator Carrie Hamblen. We were excited to welcome State  
18                   Librarian Eli Guinee as well as Youth Coordinator Kelly McCabe , Data  
19                   Coordinator Ursula McDade and Training Coordinator Ada Negraru.

20          ii.   The 90th Anniversary celebration was also a big event! Thank you to all  
21                   who attended. We had over 60 people celebrate the Library.

22          iii.   Our Bookmobile Committee has narrowed down the type of vehicle we are  
23                   looking for. The Bookmobile will include a corner display for museums and  
24                   a literature rack for Senior Programs. In addition to books and materials,  
25                   we will also be able to have laptops for people to use. The vehicle will be  
26                   wheelchair accessible.

27          iv.   On Monday, December 8, we received our last furniture delivery. We now

1 have new chairs in the Board Room and more lounge chairs in the  
2 Periodicals area.

3 v. Support Services Manager Colleen Corgel has created an Ingram Content  
4 account for us. We will start ordering items very soon.

5 vi. Next week you will see some changes downstairs. In the renovation and  
6 expansion, the plan is to have a consolidated circulation and reference  
7 desk. We decided to make a similar model now so staff and patrons can  
8 get used to this. We will be moving the now vacant media desk to the end  
9 of the circulation desk. This will be a change for everyone but we think it  
10 will be very beneficial.

11 d. Library Renovation & Expansion

12 i. Carol, Rebecca and I, along with Public Works, are now meeting weekly  
13 with the architects. We are looking at the purpose for each room, and  
14 discussing what furniture is needed. This helps determine if we have the  
15 right dimensions for the room, and if we need to rotate or move things.

16 ii. Please save the date! We will be returning to Santa Fe on January 30,  
17 2026, and we need your help! City staff are recommending that we ask  
18 for \$10 million from the State Legislature. We really need your help to  
19 advocate for this important project.

20 e. President Stephen Jones called for a motion to accept the Library Director's  
21 Report; Member Denali Wilson voiced a motion to accept; Member Jessica  
22 Streeter seconded the motion; all voted in favor; Motion carried.

23 4. New Business

24 a. Review/Approval of Requested Closings/Early Closings Dates for 2026 –  
25 President Stephen Jones called for a motion to approve as amended; Secretary  
26 Jennifer Kreie voiced a motion to approve; Vice-President Maryann Hendrickson  
27 seconded the motion; all voted in favor; motion carried

- 1 5. Announcements/Other Information – None noted.
- 2 6. Public Participation – None present.
- 3 7. Adjournment – Vice-President Maryann Hendrickson entertained a motion to adjourn
- 4 meeting; meeting adjourned at approximately 3:37 P.M. The next meeting is scheduled
- 5 for Thursday, January 22, 2026, at 3:00 P.M. in the Roadrunner Room on the 2nd floor of
- 6 TBML.

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