

# Library Board Presentation

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# Library Board Purpose

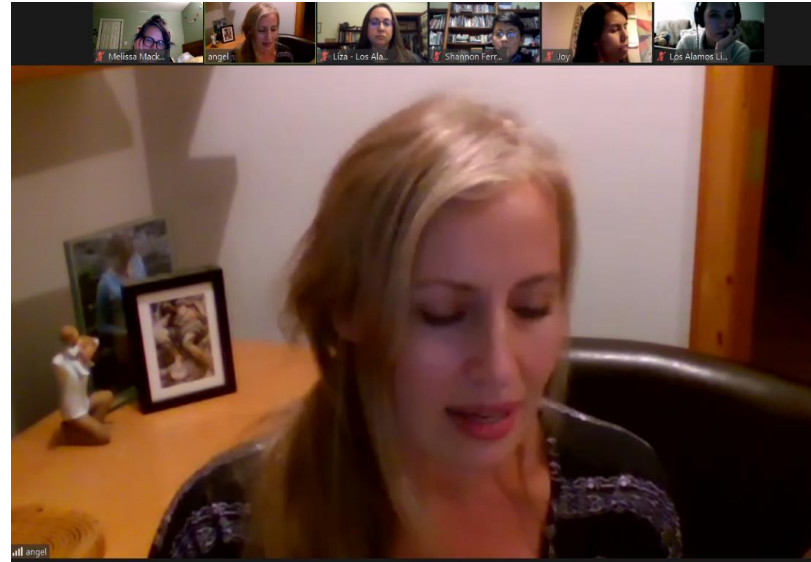
► The purpose of the library board is to receive input from the public, and based on that input, make recommendations to Council that support the fulfillment of the library's mission in the community.



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# Library Board Mission

- ▶ The Library offers opportunities for our diverse regional community to learn, know, gather, and grow by providing open and equal access to a variety of ideas and information through evolving technology and services.



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# Board Activities FY 2021

- ▶ Greatly limited due to Covid procedures
- ▶ Assisted in thanking our Library staff for National Library Week
- ▶ Welcomed two new board members and a new chair



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# Library COVID-19 Response

- Increased access to digital resources
- Temporary library cards
- Virtual programming
- Curbside pick-up
- Pop-up libraries
- Digital summer reading program using Beanstack software
- Re-opened for limited hours and time-limited visits and computer access



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# Library Updates FY 2021

Completed building Improvements including carpet upgrades, new laminate in the fiction wing, study rooms, and wedge, and new flooring in employee lunchroom

New ILS contract with SirsiDynix. Implementing new features including kid's catalog

10 staff attended online Equity, Diversity & Inclusivity conference sponsored by the Colorado Association of Libraries



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# Friends of the Los Alamos County Libraries

- ▶ Members of the Board served as liaisons to The Friends of the Los Alamos County Libraries
- ▶ The Friends donated approximately \$50,000 to the Library in FY 2021 through their bookstore activities and community donations.



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# What's Next

- ▶ Continuing to help the County Council with allocating resources that ensure the sustainability of the Library in the community
- ▶ Promoting activities at the Library that provide youth with healthy alternatives to risk taking behavior
- ▶ Helping the Council in supporting opportunities for local business environments- WiFi access, quiet work spaces, and technology help
- ▶ Work on getting back into the community to promote the library and get community feedback

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# What's Next

- ▶ Continue to make community aware of digital resources available to individuals and businesses
- ▶ Continue to assist library in with improving technology offerings for the public and new ways of being the library in a new “normal”
- ▶ Seek ways to interface with the LA Resiliency Environmental Sustainability (LARES) and Racial Equity and Inclusivity Task Force to assist with supporting the sustainability and racial equality and inclusivity goals of the County.

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# Questions



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