

QUEENS PUBLIC LIBRARY
PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022
REPORT

A meeting of the Programming Committee was held at the Central Library, 89-11 Merrick Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11432 on Thursday, December 15, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 6:56 PM by Committee Chair, Andrew P. Jackson.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Andrew P. Jackson	Committee Chair	Present	
Judy E. Bergtraum, Esq.	Board Member	Remote	
Cloyette Harris-Stoute	Board Member	Present	
Eli Shapiro, Ed. D., LCSW	Board Member	Excused	
Peter Kauffmann	Board Member	Present	
Sharon Myrie	VP, Programs and Services (PSD)	Present	
Jeffrey Lambert	Director of Strategic Planning & Operations, PSD	Present	
Nick Buron	Chief Librarian & Sr. VP.	Present	
Dennis M. Walcott	President & CEO	Present	

II. AGENDA

A. Report(s)

Sharon Myrie, VP of Programs & Services asked Jeffrey Lambert, Director of Strategic Planning & Operations to give the programming committee a report on the strategic process regarding expanding services with the Library and the Queens communities.

Mr. Lambert reported that his role in the Programs and Services Department (PSD) is to build and maintain platforms and processes to strengthen the overall processes within PSD. He reported that in 2023, PSD priorities include reorganizing their overall processes, redesigning the LAMPS platform, and create databases of community partners, constituents, and presenters to share information within the library branches and department staff.

1. Youth Initiatives Report (ID # 2804)

Nick Buron, Chief Librarian and Sr. VP, reported to the committee that the Library has received approximately \$4.5 million in city funding. The funding will be used to build a new teen center in Long Island City Library, expand the Cambria Heights, Central, and Flushing Teen Centers, as well as, expand teen programs and initiatives such as Youth Justice Court, Young Adult Literacy Services, and College Readiness programs.

Sharon Myrie, VP of Programs and Services and Jeffrey Lambert, Director of Strategic Planning & Operations gave a brief presentation that highlighted the youth initiatives and how funding will be allocated. The presentation will be provided to the committee members for review.

RESULT:	PRESENTED
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2. Queens Name Explorer (Queens Memory) Report (ID # 2805)

Natalie Milbrodt, Coordinator of Metadata Services reported on the Queens Name Explorer Initiative, which is a part of the Queens Memory Project. Ms. Milbrodt reported that the Queens Name Explorer initiative was launched on October 13, 2002, with the purpose of gathering personal and biological details to create a repository of information for local people that are honored at public places within Queens.

Ms. Milbrodt also reported that the Queens Memory Project is a digital archiving project, which has collected over 1000 oral history interviews and hosted over 450 community events, such as walking tours and speaker series, with Queens residents for the digital archives collection.

RESULT: PRESENTED

III. ADJOURNMENT

1. Motion to Adjourn (ID # 2782)

Recommended Motion for Consideration:

I move that the meeting be adjourned.

RESULT: RECOMMENDED [Unanimous]
MOVER: Andrew P. Jackson
SECONDER: Peter Kauffmann
AYES: Andrew P. Jackson, Cloyette Harris-Stoute, Peter Kauffmann
EXCUSED: Eli Shapiro, Ed. D., LCSW

The meeting was closed at 7:31 PM.

Committee Chair