

LIBRARY DISTRICT CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MISSION: The Committee is to advise the Board of Directors of the Library District and serve as a facilitator of communication and liaison between the community and the library administration. All administrative authority for governance of the Library District rests with the Board of Directors of the District. The Committee will not undertake any administrative authority or action other than required for its governance.

FORMATION AUTHORITY: This committee was established by the Board of Directors on October 25, 1989. No statutory guidelines apply.

COMPOSITION: Under Section III of the guidelines adopted by the Board of Supervisors, membership is comprised as follows: "1. The Citizens Advisory Committee shall consist of thirteen members: two from each supervisorial district, two at-large, and the Library District Director, who shall serve as an ex officio member. 2. The Board of Directors of the Library District shall appoint twelve members to the Citizens Advisory Committee. In the first year, six members shall serve a one-year term. These six members shall consist of one from each supervisorial district (five), and one at-large. The remaining six members shall serve a two-year term. In the second year and thereafter, members shall be appointed for two-year terms. 3. The term of office shall begin in November. A member may be reappointed by the Board of Directors." Note: According to a legal opinion from Ms. Christina Sargeant dated October 31, 1990, all appointments expire on October 31st.

DUTIES AND POWERS: Guidelines, Sections B and C: "B. LIBRARY ADMINISTRATION FUNCTIONS The Citizens Advisory Committee will receive information from the Library administration about: 1. Areas in which community input and assistance are needed: budget, fund-raising, legislation, public relations. 2. Professional concerns and trends locally, statewide, nationally and internationally. 3. Changes in services and programs. 4. Library presentations made by staff at community meetings. C. COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES Committee members will support libraries through: 1. Informing the community of library services. 2. Attending, as needed, meetings of major community groups to announce activities and services of the public library. 3. Assisting Library administration in the presentation of new programs to community groups or in the resolution of the community concerns about an aspect of library service. 4. Lobbying for and supporting legislation essential to library progress. 5. Informing Library administration about potential sources of fund-raising."

MEETINGS: The committee meets on the second Tuesday of the month, except August and December, at the Admin. Office at 17811 N. 32nd Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85032.

LIAISON: Mr. Harry Courtright, Director, Library District, (602) 506-2950, fax (602) 506-4689.