

I Mina Trental Kaitro Na Lihelaturan Guåhan
APPOINTMENTS

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35GL-19-0673	Marissa Q. Mears	Member	Guam Public Library System	6/26/19	Three (3) Years; June 30, 2019 to June 29, 2022	Committee on Education, Air Transportation, and Statistics, Research, and Planning	6/28/19	8/1/19 5:30 p.m.	8/12/19 2:46 p.m.		



OFFICE OF VICE SPEAKER TELENA CRUZ NELSON

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August 9, 2019

The Honorable Tina Muña Barnes
Acting Speaker
I Mina'trentai Singko na Liheslaturan Guáhan
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

RBL

VIA: The Honorable Régine Biscoe Lee
Chairperson of the Committee on Rules

Re: Committee Report on the Appointment of Marissa Q. Mears

Håfa Adai Speaker Barnes,

Transmitted herewith is the committee report on the appointment of Marissa Q. Mears to serve as a Member of the Board of Directors of the Guam Public Library System, and which was referred to the Committee on Education, Air Transportation, and Statistics, Research, and Planning.

Committee votes are as follows:

- 5 TO CONFIRM
- 0 TO NOT CONFIRM
- 0 TO REPORT OUT ONLY
- 0 TO ABSTAIN
- 0 TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE

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Si Yu'os Ma'åse'.

Senseramente,

Vice Speaker Telena Nelson

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Nomination of Marissa Q. Mears
to serve as a Member of the Board
of Directors of the Guam Public
Library System for three (3) years;
June 30, 2019 to June 29, 2022




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August 9, 2019

MEMORANDUM

To: All Members
Committee on Education, Air Transportation, and Statistics, Research, and Planning

From: Vice Speaker Telena C. Nelson, Committee Chairperson 

Subject: Committee Report on the Appointment of Marissa Q. Mears

Håfa Adai! Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report on the appointment of Marissa Q. Mears to serve as a Member of the Board of Directors of the Guam Public Library System.

The following items have been included as part of this report:

- Copy of COR Referral of the Appointment
- Copy of the Appointment Letter to the Speaker
- Copy of the Appointment Packet & Supporting Documents
- Notices of Public Hearing & Other Correspondence
- Copy of the Public Hearing Agenda
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Submitted Written Testimonies
- Committee Report Digest
- Committee Vote Sheet

Please take the appropriate action on the vote sheet appended to this report. *Si Yu'os Ma'åse'.*

Senator Régine Biscoe Lee
Chairperson

Senator Amanda L. Shelton
Vice Chairperson

Speaker Tina Rose Muña Barnes
Member

Vice Speaker Telena Cruz Nelson
Member

Senator Kelly Marsh (Taitano), Ph.D.
Member

Senator Sabina Flores Perez
Member



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June 28, 2019

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Member and Chair, Subcommittee on Protocol

MEMO

To: **Rennae Meno**
Clerk of the Legislature

Attorney Julian Aguon
Legislative Legal Counsel

From: **Senator Régine Biscoe Lee**
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

Re: **Referral of Appointment**

Buenas yan Háfa adai.

As Chairperson of the Committee on Rules, I am forwarding the referral of the following appointment:

Appointee: **Marissa Q. Mears**

Position: **Member, Board of Directors, Guam Public Library System**

Term Length: **Three (3) Years; June 30, 2019 to June 29, 2022**

The appointee's nomination packet may be referenced in the Guam Legislature's website at http://guamlegislature.com/35th_mess_comms.htm. Please refer to the following document:

"35GL-19-0673- Office of the Governor of Guam - Appointment and Supporting Documents for Marissa Q. Mears, Member, Board of Directors, Guam Public Library System."

Please ensure that the aforementioned appointment is referred to **Vice Speaker Telena Cruz Nelson, Chairperson of the Committee on Education, Air Transportation, and Statistics, Research, and Planning.**

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Mary Maravilla, Committee on Rules Director at 472-2461.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully,


Senator Régine Biscoe Lee
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
MAGA'HÅGA • GOVERNOR



JOSHUA F. TENORIO
SIGUNDO MACALÀHI • LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

June 26, 2019

Honorable Tina Muna Barnes
Speaker
I Mina'trentai Singko Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
Guam Congress Building
163 Chalan Santo Papa
Hagatna, Guam 96932

3562-19-0673
Speaker Tina Rose Muna Barnes

JUN 28 2019
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RE: Board Appointment

Dear Madame Speaker:

By virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Organic Act of Guam and the local laws applicable to the following position, I am pleased to transmit the following appointment and supporting documents for:

APPOINTEE: Marissa Q. Mears
POSITION: Member, Board of Directors
Guam Public Library System
TERM LENGTH: **Three (3) Years; June 30, 2019 to June 29, 2022**

The appointment is subject to the consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*. Please schedule a hearing at your earliest convenience.

Senseramente,

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
I Maga'hågan Guåhan
Governor of Guam

cc: Lt. Governor of Guam

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JOSHUA F. TENORIO
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June 26, 2019

Marissa Q. Mears
[REDACTED]

Dear Ms. Mears:

Pursuant to my authority under 5 GCA § 80106, I am reappointing you to serve as a

MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, GUAM PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM
Term Length: Three (3) Years; June 30, 2019 to June 29, 2022

Your reappointment is a testimony to your commitment to service and the understanding of the great responsibility that this position requires and I know that you will continue to fulfill your duties in a professional manner for others to follow.

Once again, I appreciate your willingness to serve in this position, and I am confident that your time on the Board will be effective and productive.

As you are aware, this appointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guahan*. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Michael Weakley of the Governor's Legal Office at 475-9477.

Senseramente,

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
I Maga'hagan Guahan
Governor of Guam

cc: Lt. Governor of Guam
Chairman, Library Board

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LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO
Governor



JOSHUA F. TENORIO
Lieutenant Governor

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM Nomination and Appointment Information Sheet

The following information is required for submission to the
Speaker of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* in accordance with Title 4, Guam Code Annotated Section 2103

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Last Name MEARS	First Name MARISSA	Middle Initial Q
Mailing Address [REDACTED]		Apartment/Unit #
City [REDACTED]	State [REDACTED]	Zip Code [REDACTED]
Phone [REDACTED]	E-mail Address [REDACTED]	
Position to which Appointment is Made Member, Board of Directors, Guam Public Library System		
Are you a citizen of the United States? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
If no, are you authorized to work in the United States? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		

EDUCATION

SCHOOL (Name, City and State)	DATES OF ATTENDANCE	TYPE OF DEGREE	YEAR EARNED
High School John F. Kennedy High School, Tumon, Guam		High School Diploma	1968
College			
Graduate School			
Other Degree			

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Name of Present/Last Employer and Mailing Address Guam Public Library System Agana, Guam	Position Title Library Tech
	Dates Held 2007 - 2016

Previous Employer and Mailing Address Maricopa County Library Phoenix, AZ	Position Title Library Tech
	Dates Held 1993 - 1994

Previous Employer and Mailing Address Luke Air Force Base Library Luke AFB, AZ	Position Title Library Tech
	Dates Held 1991 - 1992

Previous Employer and Mailing Address Tripler Hospital Library Tripler Army Medical Center Honolulu, HI	Position Title Library Aide
	Dates Held 1986 -1988

Previous Employer and Mailing Address Nieves M. Flores Memorial Library Hagatna, Guam	Position Title Library Tech
	Dates Held 1973-1974 & 1976-1986

PRIOR GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SERVICE

Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

PRIOR GOVERNMENT SERVICE (EXCLUDING GOVERNMENT OF GUAM)

Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

Agency or Department Name		Position Title	
Address	Phone No.	Dates Held	

TRAINING

INSTITUTE/SEMINARS/ON-THE-JOB TRAINING	DATE

AWARDS

List all educational, professional, civic awards, and recognition for public service:

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

List involvement on a local/national/international level. List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:

COMMUNITY / CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

List any published articles, papers delivered at professional meetings, etc.:

MILITARY SERVICE (Please attach Form DD-214)

BRANCH	DATES OF SERVICE	RANK AT DISCHARGE	TYPE OF DISCHARGE

OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Have you ever been found guilty of a felony in any court, whether within or without the United States?

Yes No If so, please specify in detail: _____

Address of the Court: _____

Date(s) of Conviction: _____

Specific Infraction Committed: _____

(2) Have you ever been declared mentally incompetent by any court, whether within or without the United States?

Yes No If so, please specify in detail the reasons and facts related to such declaration:

(3) Have you ever been found not guilty or not punishable in any criminal proceedings by reason of insanity?

Yes No

(4) Have you ever been confined to a mental institution for any reason?

Yes No If so, please specify in why the appointing authority believes you that you are not suffering from any mental illness or affliction:

AFFIDAVIT / DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY

I, the undersigned, do hereby depose and say that: (1) I have read and reviewed the information contained in the attached Appointment/Nomination letter from the Governor of Guam; (2) that the matters contained in the Appointment/Nomination letter, together with all attachments thereto, are true and correct and that I am competent to testify to said matters; and (3) that this Declaration is made for the purpose of complying with the requirements of 4 G.C.A. Section 2103.5.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Guam (4 G.C.A. Section 4308) that the foregoing is true and correct.

Marissa Q. Mears

Marissa Q. Mears

Print Name and Signature

18 June 2019

Date



SUPERIOR COURT OF GUAM

Guam Judicial Center • 120 West O'Brien Drive • Hagatña, Guam 96910

Telephone (671) 475-3370/475-3449

Fax (671) 472-2856

DANIELLE T. ROSETE
Clerk of Court

Name: **MARISSA Q.L MEARS**

SS#:

ID#



Date of Birth:



CERTIFICATE OF SEARCH

The undersigned Clerk hereby certifies the following results of a diligent search of the records of this Court:

Criminal Cases:

- A. No Case Found
- B. 1. Criminal Case No.
- 2. Criminal Case No.
- 3. Criminal Case No.
- 4. Criminal Case No.
- 5. Criminal Case No.

Civil Cases:

- A. No Case Found
- B. 1. Civil Case No.
- 2. Civil Case No.
- 3. Civil Case No.
- 4. Civil Case No.
- 5. Civil Case No.

Criminal Record: Page 1 of 1

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Request for further information may be addressed at the Records Division of the Superior Court of Guam, Guam Judicial Center, 120 West O'Brien Drive, Hagatña, Guam. Hours of operation are Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed Saturday, Sunday and local/federal holidays. Court Clearances are Non-Refundable.

Dated: 06/18/2019

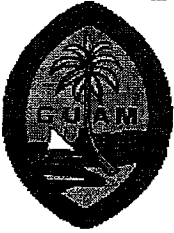
DANIELLE T. ROSETE
Clerk of Court



BY: **JOHN J. DIEGO**
Deputy Clerk

Prepared By: **JJD**

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**Government of Guam
GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT
RECORDS & IDENTIFICATION SECTION
P.O. Box 23909
Guam Main Facility, Guam 96921**



June 14, 2019

SUBJECT: CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD

NAME:	Marissa Quintanilla MEARS		
DATE OF BIRTH:	[REDACTED]	FINGERPRINT#:	N/A
■	The individual has no record of criminal conviction(s) in the Guam Police Department files that are subject to Guam law.		

*****NOTHING FOLLOWS*****

THIS INFORMATION MAY BE LIMITED TO A LOCAL CRIMINAL OFFENSE ONLY AND IS NOT INTENDED FOR USE FOR ANY LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.

By Direction: ap

**STEPHEN C. IGNACIO
Chief of Police**

The absence of an original GUAM POLICE seal invalidates this police clearance.
REVISED 04/26/19

MARISSA Q. MEARS



Objective : To establish and maintain a rewarding career, based upon my previous experience and knowledge, in an environment where initiative and responsibility are values leading to professional growth and recognition.

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATION

Background encompasses over thirty years of experience in Library and clerical environment, reflecting knowledge and expertise in the following areas :

- **25 years experience as a Library Technician and Library Aide**
- **30 years of Customer Service**
- **Experience as a Data Entry Clerk**
- **Experience in computer applications for inventory control, data and word processing**
- **Maintain files and card catalogs**
- **Audit accounts**
- **Strong documentation and record keeping abilities**

PERSONAL STRENGTHS

- **Strong organizational and problem solving skills demonstrating sound judgment in establishing priorities and making decisions.**

- **A proven ability to turn goals into reality through the efficient management of time, personnel and resources.**
- **Highly flexible and resourceful**
- **Self motivated and quality oriented**
- **Strong customer relation skills**
- **Excellent communication skills relating to supervisors, peers and subordinates as well as the general public**



Telena Cruz Nelson <senatortcnelson@guamlegislature.org>

Fwd: First Notice of Confirmation Hearing: Thursday, August 1, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

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Committee on Rules 35GL <orguamlegislature@gmail.com>
To: Telena Cruz Nelson <senatortcnelson@guamlegislature.org>

Fri, Aug 9, 2019 at 1:39 PM

Håfa Adai Michelle,

Forwarding as requested. Let me know if this is the one you wanted.

Thanks,
Mary



COMMITTEE ON RULES

Office of the People
Senator Régine Biscoe Lee
35th Guam Legislature
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24 July 2019

MEMORANDUM

To: All Honorable Senators, Stakeholders, and Media
From: Vice-Speaker Telena Nelson, Chairperson
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The Office of Vice Speaker Telena Cruz Nelson

*Committee on Education, Air Transportation,
and Statistics, Research, and Planning*

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Telena Cruz Nelson <senatortcnelson@guamlegislature.org>

Mon, Jul 29, 2019 at 12:07 PM

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OFFICE OF VICE SPEAKER TELENA CRUZ NELSON

CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE ON
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AGENDA

Confirmation Hearing

Thursday, August 1, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Public Hearing Room, Guam Congress Building

- I. Call to Order at 5:30 p.m.
- II. Opening Remarks – Vice Speaker Telena
- III. Items for Discussion
 - A. The appointment of **Marissa Q. Mears** to serve as a **Member** of the **Guam Public Library System, Board of Directors.**
 - B. The appointment of **Jennifer B. Sanchez** to serve as a **Member** of the **Guam Academy Charter Schools Council.**
 - C. The appointment of **Evangeline M. Cepeda** to serve as a **Member** of the **Guam Academy Charter Schools Council.**
- IV. Adjournment



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Thursday, August 1, 2019 • 5:30P.M. • Public Hearing Room

Appointee: Marissa Q. Mears

Position: Member

Agency/Board or Commission: Guam Public Library System, Board of Directors

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Thursday, August 1, 2019

Senator Telen Cruz Nelson, Vice Speaker
I Mina-Trentai Singko na Liheslaturan Guåhan
(35th Guam Legislature)
Majority Leader and Chairperson:
Committee on Education, Air Transportation
and Statistics, Research and Planning

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF THE APPOINTMENT OF MARISSA
MEARS to serve as a Member of the Guam Public Library System**

Buenas yan Hafa adai Vice Speaker Nelson, members of the Committee on Education, Air Transportation and Statistics, Research and Planning and Senators of the 35th Guam Legislature.

My name is R. Arlene Santos, Acting Director of the Guam Public Library System. I come before you tonight to provide testimony in support of the appointment of Ms. Marissa Mears to serve as a member of the Guam Public Library System Board.

Although I am fairly new with the Guam Public Library System, I understand that Ms. Mears is a product of that agency. Ms. Mears was a Library Technician and although she was basically assigned to the Hagåtña main facility she must have


exhibited qualities that led her to being assigned as the “worker-in-charge” of the operations of the Dededo Branch Library. She worked this leadership role for at least two (2) years before her retirement.

I am made to understand that she worked at least 19 years with the Guam Public Library System but also has work experience with other Library institutions in the mainland United States.

This appointment will add to her (3) years already acquired as a member of the Board of the Guam Public Library System.

I am confident that with her institutional knowledge in Library services and her experience as a Board member she will certainly be an asset to the Guam Public Library Services System.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on Ms. Mears appointment and I look forward to your favorable vote to confirm her as a member of the Guam Public Library System Board.



R. Arlene Santos



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Committee Report Digest

I. OVERVIEW

The Committee on Education, Air Transportation and Statistics, Research, and Planning convened a Public Hearing on Thursday, August 1, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the Public Hearing Room of the Guam Congress Building. Among the items on the agenda was the consideration of the appointment of Marissa Q. Mears to serve as a Member of the Board of Directors of the Guam Public Library System, and whose appointment history is as follows:

- Appointed by *I Maga'hågan Guåhan* on June 26, 2019 2019, for three (3) years; June 30, 2019 to June 29, 2022;
- Appointment packet forwarded to *I Liheslatura* on June 28, 2019;
- Appointment packet forwarded to this committee for public consideration on June 28, 2019;

Public Notice Requirements

In accordance with the Open Government Law, public notices were sent via email to all senators, stakeholders, and main media broadcasting outlets on Wednesday, July 24, 2019 (5-Day Notice) and Monday, July 29, 2019 (48-Hour Notice).

Senators Present

Vice Speaker Telena Nelson, Committee Chairperson

II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY AND DISCUSSION

Vice-Speaker Telena Nelson *convened the hearing at 5:32 p.m., announced the public notice requirements, and stated the agenda for the hearing.*

Vice-Speaker Nelson *invited Marissa Q. Mears to the table and called for those who signed up to testify.*

Kyle Mandapat: I'm here today in the capacity of the Chairman of the Board over at the Guam Public Library System. I've had the opportunity to work with this wonderful lady for many months and then her term actually expired after two years. We've tried our hardest to work together, and we've succeeded on many occasions to try to bring to the public the library system they deserve along with the amazing team at the library, the great staff we've been able to work together to try to continue the growth and to keep our library system where it needs to be and more so move in the direction that it definitely needs to be going in. I'm here today to support her in this bid for reconfirmation today. I'm her Nino. I just want to say that having her on the team has been a blessing. As a former member of the GPLS staff, she has so much insight into things that trouble us or trouble our patrons or things that we need to address. She's been able to help us with a lot of perspective in terms of some of the situations that have arisen. I would love to put my entire support, and I would like to please urge that you do the same with the reconfirmation of Miss Mears for another term with the GPLS Board of Directors.

Vice-Speaker Nelson *thanked Kyle Mandapat.*

Arlene Santos *stated that she is the Acting Director of the Guam Public Library System and read from written testimony that has been appended to this committee report.*

Marissa Mears: Thank you for this opportunity again to try to be reconfirmed as a Guam Public Library Board Member during the past two years; it seemed shorter than that. We did a lot, and there's things that we need for the libraries such as, we really need a librarian and we need to hire more technicians and to open our branch libraries five days a week or if not five, three days a week. We also would like to have a mobile computer lab, and this would follow our bookmobile during the Liberation Day parade. I didn't know it was being retrofitted, but they did the outside and it's beautiful, so with that, I guess that one there I can cross off my list. We still have our Internet cafe which we have not leased out yet, and I'm hoping that we could do that within my next commission. There's a lot more this library needs. It needs that security alarm system for the branch. They are all fitted with security system, but they are not working for whatever reason, be it financial or they couldn't afford to pay for the alarm, so things like that, and we would like to also ask for our budget and work on our budget. We're working on our budget. We did the 220, but we would like see (if) we could get more financial assistance to get all of these things done. I personally would like to have a storyline added on to our library operations and that would help people that are students that are sick, in the weekend, or for whatever reason they can't come to the library, all they have to do is pick up the phone, dial, and then they could listen to the story. From the previous library that I worked, we changed the storyline every week, we could do it twice a week. I would like to see the library fully automated. That's one of my goals. There's just so many things that we would like, we would like to sit with one of our senators to talk and work on our budget.

Vice Speaker Nelson: Well, you have my support. I think this turned more into a budget hearing than a confirmation but thank you very much. Is there anything else you'd like to add?

Kyle Mandapat: If we're talking about the budget, I would like to add: there's so much that we're looking at and I'm working on as Marissa said. So, we do look forward to connecting with you and your colleagues up there to discuss these more in depth in the near future. Thank you.

Vice Speaker Nelson: I believe the budget chair is Senator Joe San Agustin, we'll be having the public hearing on the bill on August 6, and so if you can attend that, but I'm definitely available for you to hear your concerns and to see what we can do for the Guam Public Library system. I've always been a great fan of the Guam Public Library. I used to go there when I was in middle school to study, and my parents were okay with me staying out a little bit late because they know I was at the library and not doing anything else, so thank you for your hard work and your perseverance, especially through the digital age. I know it can be challenging, but I see that there is change going on within the library to address the technological advances that are being made, so thank you for that, and I look forward to working with you, and good luck on your confirmation. You have my full support. Thank you.

Vice Speaker Nelson *concluded the discussion regarding the appointment of Marissa Q. Mears.*

III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATION

The Committee on Education, Air Transportation, and Statistics, Research, and Planning hereby reports out on the Appointment of Marissa Q. Mears to serve as a Member of the Board of Directors of the Guam Public Library System with the recommendation to to Confirm.



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Committee Vote Sheet

Appointment of Marissa Q. Mears to serve as a Member of the Board of Directors of the Guam Public Library System for three (3) years; June 30, 2019 to June 29, 2022

MEMBER	SIGNATURE AND DATE	TO CONFIRM	TO NOT CONFIRM	TO REPORT OUT ONLY	TO ABSTAIN	TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE
Vice Speaker Telena Nelson Chairperson	<i>Telena C. Nelson</i>	✓ 08-09-19				
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Senator Amanda Shelton Vice Chairperson of Education	<i>Amanda Shelton</i>	✓ 8/9/19				
Speaker Tina Muña Barnes Member	<i>Tina Muña Barnes</i>	✓ 8/9/19				
Senator Sabina Flores Perez Member	<i>Sabina Flores Perez</i>	✓ 8/9/2019				
Senator Clynton E. Ridgell Member						
Senator Mary Camacho Torres Member	<i>Mary Camacho Torres</i>	✓ 8/9/19				