

**TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD
NORTH TAMPA LIBRARY
MARCH 25, 2010**

Board Members Present: William Scheuerle (Chair), Jim Johnson (Vice-Chair), Bob Argus, James Martin, Kay O'Rourke, Mary Lou Tuttle, Cori Toler, Jim Harkins and Alma Hires. Laura Vickers, Patricia McClure and Catherine Cottle were excused.

Staff Present: Joe Stines, Director; Jacquelyn Zebos, Manager, Administrative & Reference Services; Linda Gillon, Manager, Programming & User Services; Marcee Challener, Manager, Materials & Circulation Services; David Wullschleger, Manager, Operations; Lisa Wagner, Coordinator, Administrative Services & Grants; Aracelis Putnam, Administrative Specialist; Marianne Tucker, Senior Librarian; Sheryl Herold, Accountant III; Andrew Breidenbaugh, Chief Librarian; Renelda Sells, Chief Librarian; Robin Gibson, Friends Coordinator.

Guests: Ricardo Cox, Assistant County Attorney; Jan Platt and Carol Jones representing the Friends of the Library of Tampa-Hillsborough County, Inc.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

Minutes from the February 25, 2010 Library Board meeting were approved.

The following volunteers were recognized for their many hours of service to the Library:

North Tampa Library

Joseph Pozdell
John Bisbee
Gail Smith
Mary Allen
Jane Cropsey

Jan Platt (President) and Carol Jones (Chair, Finance/Investment Committee) presented an overview and history of the Friends of the Library of Tampa-Hillsborough County organization and its operations.

Committee Reports

Budget Committee

Staff provided a report concerning the proposal for a storefront library at the University Mall and an analysis of library service provided to the University Area via the Bookmobile and Cybermobile. The Library Board voted unanimously to accept the Budget Committee's recommendation to decline the proposal at this time and continue providing library service to the University Area with the Bookmobile and Cybermobile. Lack of operations dollars and current financial issues were noted.

The Library Board voted unanimously to accept the elimination of two additional library positions as an Efficiency recommendation for the FY11 Budget.

A list of Library Services Department's indirect costs was provided to the Library Board members for review in preparation for discussion with Eric Johnson, Management Services Administrator at the next Library Board meeting on April 22 at John F. Germany Library.

Staff presented a report concerning overdue fine revenue which indicated no major impacts thus far in regard to "grace" redefinition. A report was also provided concerning the Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library's purchasing power as compared to other similar library systems and their collections.

The next meeting of the Budget Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, 2010, 3:00 p.m. at John F. Germany Public Library.

Planning Committee

The Sulphur Springs ribbon cutting ceremony is being rescheduled for a date in June (possibly June 30, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.). Staff shared a positive news article concerning the two-story building plans for the Seminole Library reconstruction. An update was also provided on the library's R3M projects.

The next meeting of the Planning Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, April 20, 2010, 4:00 p.m. at John F. Germany Public Library.

Policy & Bylaws Committee

The Library Board Bylaws were reviewed and unanimously approved as amended.

The following policies were approved as recommended by the Policy & Bylaws Committee:

- **LS107, Loan Periods and Use Limits**
- **LS302, Types of Reference Questions**
- **LS303, Delivery of Reference Service**
- **LS306, Access to Electronic Resources**

Mr. Argus raised a question concerning the chatting feature on the social networking applications (i.e. Facebook, MySpace, and Google Wave) and their accessibility on the library Internet computers. Following discussion, the Library Board directed staff to review and clarify the portion of policy LS306, Access to Electronic Resources, concerning chat features to ensure the library is up to current standards.

Library Board members received a copy of newly-drafted library policy LS310, E-Government. The Policy & Bylaws Committee plans to review it and make their recommendation at next month's meeting.

Mr. Harkins asked staff to seek efficiency and elimination of any redundancy in policy development.

The next meeting of the Policy & Bylaws Committee is scheduled for Thursday, April 22, 2010, 3:00 p.m. at John F. Germany Public Library.

Under new business, the Library Board unanimously moved to accept a letter from Howard Harris, President of the Ada T. Payne Friends of the Library, and to forward it to the Planning Committee without taking further action at this time.

Staff provided information concerning proposed legislation to cut the State Aid to Libraries program. The Library Board unanimously moved to send an official letter corporately urging State legislators requesting they oppose any cuts to library State Aid funding.

The Library Board recognized the 9/11 commemorative quilt and the individuals (Hillsborough County employees) who created the quilt to honor those who lost their lives during 9/11. Mary Mahoney and Danielle Quintana, who participated in creating the quilt, provided a background on the project. The handmade quilt is now framed and permanently displayed at North Tampa Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.