

TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
JOHN F. GERMANY PUBLIC LIBRARY
MARCH 27, 2014

Attendance: John McWhirter (Chair), Brenda Staton (Vice Chair), Jim Johnson, Phyllis Alpert, Shelley Blood, Bob Argus, Shelia Spicola, Jim Duffy and Evan St. Ives were present. Jim Harkins and Felicia Pecora (Secretary) were excused. Daniel Blair was absent.

Staff present: Joe Stines, Jacquelyn Zebos, David Wullschleger, Linda Gillon, Aracelis Chapman, Lisa Wagner, Jennifer Iley, Anne Ross, Andrew Breidenbaugh, Marcee Challener.

Guests: Charlotte Diggs, County Attorney's office; Sheryl Herold and Bridget Lattimore, Fiscal & Support Services, Public Safety & Community Services.

The meeting was called to order at 4 pm with a quorum present.

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

New Tampa Regional Library
Sormeh Shokraei

SouthShore Regional Library
Valerie Bourget
Barb Nova

Minutes from the February 27, 2014 meeting were approved.

Marcee Challener, Manager, announced her retirement after 38 years of service to the Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library.

Committee Reports

Finance

Kevin Brickey, Economist, will be asked to present the library pro-forma at an upcoming meeting. *(The presentation has been scheduled for April 24, 2014.)*

Proposals for the FY15 budget were approved as recommended.

The next meeting of the Finance Committee is scheduled for April 22, 2014, 3 pm at John F. Germany Public Library.

Planning

This month's technology update featured the new app page available on the library website, HCPLC.org.

An update was provided regarding the JFG Master Plan. It is in the final stages with the consultant's draft report and proposals forthcoming.

Mr. Stines briefed the Library Board concerning the County Administrator's latest reorganization and shared a draft of the Library's proposed management rebalancing.

Staff reported on the status Testa-Secca mural at Robert W. Saunders, Sr. Library. It is currently encased in plywood, waiting for the completion of heavy demolition around it.

Expansion of the parking lots at Bloomingdale and Upper Tampa Bay Regional Libraries may be considered for a future unfunded capital improvement projects list.

A representative of the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority (TBARTA) has been invited to attend the April 22, 2014 Planning Committee meeting to present an overview of their organization and talk about the regional transportation master plan.

The next meeting of the Planning Committee is scheduled for April 22, 2014, 4 pm at John F. Germany Public Library.

Policy & Bylaws

The Library meeting room policy is being revised to require a library card for meeting space reservations. It was requested that staff explore the requirement of library cards for program attendance.

The next Policy & Bylaws Committee meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2014, 3:00 pm at John F. Germany Library.

Staff was directed to follow up with Real Estate Department to verify the funding source for a parcel of land on Frontage way at Upper Tampa Bay Regional Library. The land, originally intended for parking expansion, is being considered for a dog park.

The Friends of the Library have created a memorial book fund in honor of the late William H. Scheuerle. The deadline for donations is May 1, 2014.

County staff is currently working with the City of Tampa to secure permitting for additional parking at Charles J. Fendig Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:21pm.