



## TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Bloomingtondale Regional Library

July 28, 2022

Members Present: Phyllis Alpert (Chair), Candi Martin (Vice Chair), Maggie Mardirosian (Secretary), Michael Newett, Jim Johnson, Bob Argus, and Jessica Ocasio.

Members Absent: Shelly McClellan, Abigail St. Clair, Curtis Brown and Carmen Alvarez.

Staff Present: Andrew Breidenbaugh, Aracelis Chapman, Chely Cantrell, Kathleen Langevin, Janet Marnatti, Lauren Levy, Bill Harris and Jeffrey Huggins.

Meeting was called to order at 4 pm.

There were no presentations from the public.

Minutes from the June 23, 2022 meeting were approved.

### BUDGET REVIEW

The Library's Fiscal 2022 Budget Report dated June 30, 2022 was reviewed along with activity summaries for the month of June 2022. There were no concerns or questions. The activity reports show increases in circulation resulting from Borrow by Mail as well as digital checkouts.

### POLICIES & BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT

A draft of the Library Board bylaws is currently under review. The Policies & Bylaws Committee is making further changes to language and will present a final draft at a future meeting.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Staff reported on the status of the meeting rooms at Robert W. Saunders Sr. Library. County Communications and Facilities departments are working to vacate the first-floor small meeting space. The meeting rooms will undergo cleaning and refurbishment and are expected to be returned for library use later this year. Meeting spaces are available for use at other libraries in every region of the county.

Staff provided an update on the Friends of the Library. Of the 22 chapters, 15 have resumed activities. Chapters are meeting both in person and virtually, and bookstore sales are increasing each month.

NEW BUSINESS—None.

## DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Continued training was provided on the Library Board's role in the appeals process when library materials are challenged by the public. Today's overview was specific to library materials displays, library display cases in art galleries and distribution and display of library promotional publications.

The Riverview Friends of the Library have submitted a request to name a room at the Riverview Library in honor of Gretchen DeSavio. This will be referred to the Policies & Bylaws Committee for review and recommendation.

Retired long-time library employee, Priscilla "Prissy" Lakus has passed away. Prissy was one of the formative staff members in the development of the annual children's storytelling festival.

The Brandon Library replacement project is delayed as County procurement works to conclude a bid appeals process.

District 4 member, Jim Johnson, announced his resignation from the Library Board after 19 years of service. The Library Board expressed their appreciation for his time and efforts.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 pm.

The next meeting of the Library Board is scheduled for Thursday, August 25, 2022 4pm at ~~North Tampa Library~~ *(location changed to Riverview Library)*.