

TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD 78TH Street Community Library October 23, 2025

Members Present: Maggie Mardirosian (Chair), Carmen Alvarez (Vice Chair), Liz Hawley (Secretary), Curtis Brown, Bob Argus, Phyllis Alpert, Abigail StClair, and Michael Newett.

Members Absent: Mary Kate Downing, Ami Marie Granger Welch, Jessica Ocasio, Alicia Guy.

Staff Present: Chely Cantrell, Aracelis Chapman, Jasmine Qronfleh, Frank Collia, Allie Brazis, Janet Marnatti, Hetalben Patel, Michelle Frasier and Michael Robinson.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT—None.

Minutes from the September 25, 2025 meeting were approved.

The Library's Fiscal 2025 Budget report for September was reviewed along with the approved FY26 Budget and monthly activity summaries. Clarification was provided regarding the materials budget, maintenance contingency repairs, professional services, new construction projects, and meeting room statistics during voting periods.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS—None.

NEW BUSINESS

The Library Board unanimously voted to approve a request from the Friends of the SouthShore Library to name a space at SouthShore Regional Library in memory of Frances Hereford.

A proposed quarterly 2026 PLB meeting schedule was reviewed and alternative options discussed. Following deliberation, the Library Board voted 7 to 1 (Mr. Brown opposed) in favor of continuing the current meeting schedule of 11 times per year.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Michael Robinson, Branch Manager at 78th Street Library and Michelle Frasier, Public Service Regional Manager, were introduced.

Staff presented an overview of statistics from meeting room use and volunteer tax help service.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 pm. The next regular meeting of the Public Library Board is Thursday, December 4, 2025 starting 4pm at Riverview Library.