

TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
JOHN F. GERMANY PUBLIC LIBRARY
APRIL 26, 2012

Attendance: Bob Argus (Chair), Jim Johnson (Vice-Chair), Brenda Staton, Alma Hires, William Scheuerle, Michael Keller, Jim Harkins and James Martin were present. Cori Toler (Secretary), Kay O'Rourke, John McWhirter, Mary Lou Tuttle were excused.

Staff Present: Joe Stines, Director; Marcee Challener, Manager, Materials & Circulation Services; Linda Gillon, Manager, Programming; David Wullschleger, Manager, Operations; Aracelis Chapman, Administrative Specialist; Megan Danak, Friends Coordinator; Anne Ross, Chief Librarian; Renelda Sells, Chief Librarian; Lisa Wagner, Administrative Services Coordinator.

Guests: Ricardo Cox, Assistant County Attorney; Tom Fesler, Director, Business & Support Services; Armand Ternak, Temple Terrace Library.

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

Minutes from the March 22, 2012 meeting were approved.

There were no presentations from the public.

Kevin Dwyer and Vickie Jewett were recognized for their many hours of service to the Port Tampa Library.

Committee Reports

Budget Committee

Tom Fesler, Director, Business & Support Services Department, discussed and answered questions concerning indirect costs.

Mr. Martin reported that the monthly Library budget report and the circulation reports for March 2012 were reviewed by the Budget Committee and are in good standing.

The Library Board reviewed a citizen request from Richard Meyer. Following discussion, the Library Board voted unanimously not to make changes to the library policy regarding e-book holds as recommended by the Library Board Budget Committee. The Library Board further moved to refer the second suggestion to the Policy & Bylaws Committee after the new integrated library system (Polaris) has been implemented.

Staff provided an update on the FY13 Budget as well as a status on the procurement of additional land for Fendig Library.

The next meeting of the Budget Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, May 22, 2012 p.m., 3:00 p.m. at John F. Germany Public Library.

Planning Committee

The Library Board was informed about the new online genealogy resources that are available through Gale.

Community input was reviewed from Fishhawk-area residents concerning a future library location. The Real Estate Department is working to identify alternative County-owned sites. Library staff will be working with community representatives to start a Friends group in the Fishhawk area.

An update was provided on library construction projects. The University Area community library development may have to be delayed for one year due to land not being obtained from the Hillsborough County School District as well as the feasibility of accomplishing all funded capital improvement projects at the same time. Installation of electric car charging stations at select library locations is now complete. A public meeting is scheduled to be held on May 8 at C. Blythe Andrews, Jr. Library.

The next meeting of the Planning Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, May 22, 2012, 4:00 p.m. at John F. Germany Library.

Policy & Bylaws Committee

Pending a letter of support from the Friends of the Seminole Heights Library, the Library Board unanimously approved a recommendation to name a special collections room at the new Seminole Heights Library in honor of the late Stephen Gluckman, a neighborhood preservationist and former professor at the University of South Florida.

The Library Board was in unanimous agreement with the Policy & Bylaws Committee's recommendation that Library Board members may actively participate in advisory committees during the procurement award process as non-voting members.

Revisions to the Library Board Bylaws were unanimously approved as recommended by the Policy & Bylaws Committee.

The next meeting of Policy & Bylaws Committee is scheduled for Thursday, May 24, 2012, 4:00 p.m. at John F. Germany Library.

Unfinished Business

The Public Art Dedication for the Sandpiper Pavilion at SouthShore Regional Library is scheduled for May 22, 2012 at 10 a.m.

New Business—None.

Director's Report

No new information is yet available on the approved redistricting and any impact to Library Board member districts. Staff is awaiting direction from the Board Clerk and the County Attorney's office.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.