

TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
C. BLYTHE ANDREWS, JR. LIBRARY
APRIL 23, 2015

Attendance: John McWhirter (Chair), Brenda Staton (Vice Chair), Felicia Pecora (Secretary), Phyllis Alpert, Shelley Blood, Candi Martin, Evan St. Ives, Shelia Spicola, Peter Vaka. Jim Johnson, Davis Gandeas and Christine Kazor were excused.

Staff present: Andrew Breidenbaugh, Lauren Levy, David Wullschleger, Aracelis Chapman, Cheryl Wolfe, James Bess, Janet Marnatti, Brian Walton, Jennifer Iley, Lee Miller, Linda Gillon, Jacquelyn Zebos and Renelda Sells.

Guests: Charlotte Diggs, County Attorney's office.

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

The Ada T. Payne Friends of the Urban Libraries were recognized for having received Honorable Mention in Florida Library Association's Special Projects Award for their cookbook, *Down Home Cooking with Friends*.

Minutes from the March 26, 2015 meeting were approved as amended.

There were no presentations from the public.

Committee Reports

Joint Finance and Planning Committee

The Monthly Budget Report for FY14 dated March 31, 2014 was reviewed along with the Quarterly Source and Use Statement for second quarter of FY15 and the Library Activity Summary for March 2015.

Staff provided an update on library projects underway: Parking expansions at Bloomingdale Regional and Upper Tampa Bay Regional Libraries begin this week and are expected to take approximately 8 weeks for completion. The University Area library is on hold pending a construction grant. Design processing for a new C. Blythe Andrews, Jr. Library will start soon, and a meeting is to be held with community stakeholders. Staff are preparing to submit a construction grant application for the C. Blythe Andrews, Jr. Library. The RFID replacement for the library system is still in procurement. John F. Germany Library is undergoing work on its A/C cooling tower.

Plans are in the works to offer a series of workshops later this year. Staff will be seeking ideas for speakers through the Tampa Bay Library Consortium.

The Finance and Planning Committees have discussed permanently combining their two committees into one and requested the topic be referred to the Policy & Bylaws Committee to consider a possible amendment of the Library Board Bylaws.

The next joint meeting of the Finance and Planning Committees is scheduled for Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 3:30 pm.

Policy & Bylaws

The Policy & Bylaws Committee did not meet this month.

Unfinished Business –None.

New Business

Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library staff were complimented for their assistance to a patron who utilizes the library for graduate studies.

Staff demonstrated a preview of the design and content changes that are being made to the library website and received feedback from the Library Board.

The Library Board Chair gave an endorsement of classes that are available through the OSHA Lifelong Learning Institute and led a discussion regarding how the library works with booksellers.

Director's Report

A meeting of the Hillsborough County Public Library Cooperative has been scheduled for June 11, 2015.

Mr. Breidenbaugh thanked the Library Board for their support and advocacy to save the State Aid to Libraries appropriation levels.

Next month's Library Board volunteer recognition will be held at the end of the agenda and will include a special recognition.

The next meeting of the Library Board is scheduled for Thursday, May 28, 2015, 4 pm at John F. Germany Public Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 5 pm.