

TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
RUSKIN LIBRARY
FEBRUARY 25, 2016

Attendance: Brenda Staton (Chair), John McWhirter, Davis Gandeas, Christine Kazor, Jim Johnson, Candi Martin, Shelia Spicola, Joan Zacharias and Howard Harris were present. Phyllis Alpert (Secretary), Felicia Pecora (Vice Chair) and Blake Casper were excused.

Staff present: Andrew Breidenbaugh, Aracelis Chapman, David Wullschleger, Linda Gillon, Jacquelyn Zebos, Renelda Sells, Lorie Tonti, Janet Marnatti, Sheryl Herold and Megan Danak.

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

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

Ruskin Library
Peggy Boa

Riverview Library
Lisa Bohn
Patty Boyle
Gretchen DelSavio
Anita Hoffman
Patricia Moore

SouthShore Library
Patty Brandt
Marie Hamly
Elaine Slater
Rose Strickland
Patricia Hart
Kyria Joyner
Lesla Salloum

Minutes from the January 28, 2016 meeting were approved with corrections.

There were no presentations from the public.

Committee Reports

Joint Finance and Planning Committees

The monthly budget reports were reviewed along with the library activity summary reports.

An update was provided regarding the RFID implementation. All contract issues have been worked out and a kick off meeting scheduled. The transition is expected to be complete no later than August 2016.

The Library Board was briefed regarding the Board of County Commissioners FY16 Budget and Transportation Workshop of Wednesday, February 24, 2016. The presentation to BOCC included a statement regarding taxing district funds and the related millage.

Ongoing efforts are underway to gather feedback from the public at Open House sessions throughout the county as part of the Library's 2020 Vision strategic planning. The next Open House is scheduled for Tuesday, March 15, 6—8 pm at Robert W. Saunders, Sr. Library. Library Board members are urged to attend the next stakeholder education workshop focused on maker spaces to be presented by the Evolve Project on March 10 at 7pm in The Hive at John F. Germany Library.

Copies of a Total Cost of Operating Model summary and related data were distributed. The TCO model is a review of various segments of the library's expenditures and operations

cost over a 50 year period. The information will be incorporated as part of the Library's master planning going forward.

The next combined meeting of the Finance and Planning Committees will be Thursday, March 24, 2 pm at North Tampa Library.

Policy & Bylaws Committee

The following policies were approved as recommended by the Policy & Bylaws Committee:

- **LS308, Time Management Software**
- **LS1304, Wireless Access**

The next meeting of the Policy & Bylaws Committee is scheduled for Thursday, March 24, 3 pm at North Tampa Library.

Unfinished Business—None.

New Business—A request was made for management staff at branch locations hosting Library Board meetings to provide an informal introduction, background and tour of the facility. It was determined that this would take place during the recess following Policy & Bylaws Committee meetings.

Director's Report

A representative from American Land Ventures will provide an update on the status of the downtown tower project and address questions at the April 28 Library Board meeting.

The Library has been asked to participate in a national study by Americans for the Arts, which will survey our customers after library events.

Brandon Regional Library will be closed May 10—14 during a resurfacing of the parking lot.

The public is invited to comment on site options for a new Riverview Library on Thursday, March 3, 6:30 pm at Riverview Civic Center.

The Library Board was notified of the Director's scheduled absence during the next Library Board meeting.

Staff presented a summary of statistics and recap of programs and events at The Hive from the past year. The Hive will soon be rolling out services and equipment to select branch locations.

It was announced that Library's State Aid grant application for FY16 has been approved.

Ruskin Branch manager, Isabelle Fetherston, shared an overview of events held in partnership with Firehouse Cultural Center and demonstrated a sample of a new children's computer tablet kit available for checkout—one of several pilot projects to make mobile devices and connectivity available to citizens.

The meeting was adjourned at 5 pm.