

TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
SEFFNER-MANGO LIBRARY
JULY 27, 2017

Attendance: Felicia Pecora (Chair), Phyllis Alpert (Secretary), Davis Gandeas, Bob Argus, Shelley Blood, Howard Harris, Christine Kazor, Joan Zacharias, and Carmen Alvarez were present. Jim Johnson, Candi Martin and Maggie Coleman were excused.

Staff Present: Andrew Breidenbaugh, Aracelis Chapman, Jacquelyn Zebos, Megan Danak, Sheryl Herold, Renelda Sells, Janet Marnatti, Bridgett Lattimore and Charlotte Diggs.

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 pm with a quorum present.

Minutes from the June 22, 2017 meeting were approved.

Presentations from the Public: Resident, Michael Edgerley, spoke in favor of the proposed renaming of Upper Tampa Bay Library in honor of Maureen B. Gauzza.

Committee Reports

Policy & Bylaws Committee

The Library Board was in unanimous support of the following recommended items:

- Request to rename the Upper Tampa Bay Regional Library in honor of Maureen B. Gauzza

- Request to name space at New Tampa Regional Library in honor of Claire Unnasch. In recognition of the Unnasch family's donation, a section of the children's will be named, Grandma Claire's Corner.

A request from Commission Crist and the University Area Community Development Corp. to name the new University Area library for Senator Arthenia Joyner was discussed. The Library Board deferred their vote pending more input from the community.

The following policy updates were approved:

- Updated policy LS102, Customer Record Privacy
- Updated policy LS103, Library Card Registration and Renewals
- LS105, Group Library Card Registrations
- LS1114, Library Recording Studio

The next meeting of the Policy & Bylaws Committee is scheduled for Thursday, October 26 2017, 2 pm at SouthShore Library.

Combined Finance & Planning Committees

The FY17 monthly budget reports were reviewed along with the Monthly Library Activity summaries. There was an update on the County Administrator's FY18 Recommended Budget. As a follow up to last month's presentation of the Pro Forma, there was

discussion regarding the library's future budget needs, operating constraints, possible funding sources and guiding principles for building capital facilities.

Staff provided a report regarding Library meeting room use activity.

The next meeting of the combined Finance & Planning Committee is scheduled for Thursday, August 24, 2017, 3 pm at Bloomingdale Library.

Unfinished Business

A representative from American Land Ventures is scheduled to attend the September 28th Library Board meeting to provide a construction update regarding the Downtown high-rise development located next to John F. Germany Library.

New Business

Nominations are being sought to fill the Vice Chair officer vacancy. Library Board members were asked to send their nominations by email to the Library Board coordinator for the next meeting agenda.

Director's Report

The Library is in negotiation with City of Tampa to evacuate the west building at the John F. Germany Library by the end of this year in preparation for the future downtown tower construction. Enhancements and renovations to the main building are planned.

Information was provided about the effects of the hiring freeze and the Library's projections through the end of the summer. Currently 34 staff vacancies. Staff is reviewing service hours and may consider proposing adjustments. The Library Board indicated no concerns.

Shared an article dated June 21, 2017—Millenials are the most likely generation of Americans to use Public Libraries.

The Library is on track to begin passport acceptance services in the Fall of 2017. The A kick-off event is being planned which will include Representative Kathy Castor.

MILO (Mobile Interactive Literacy Opportunity) was awarded the Betty Davis Miller Youth Services Award from the Florida Library Association. The Library and its partners (Junior League of Tampa, Children's Board and WEDU) received a commendation from the Board of County Commissioners for the outreach program.

Staff presented an overview of library website statistics. The traffic total for FY15 total visits were over 3.7 million.

The meeting was adjourned at 5 pm.

The next meeting of the Library Board is scheduled for Thursday, August 24, 4 pm at Bloomingdale Library, 1906 Bloomingdale Avenue, Valrico 33594.