



TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Riverview Library

August 25, 2022

Members Present: Phyllis Alpert (Chair), Candi Martin (Vice Chair), Maggie Mardirosian (Secretary), Michael Newett, Abigail St. Clair, Jim Johnson, Bob Argus, and Jessica Ocasio, Curtis Brown and Carmen Alvarez. Members Absent: Shelly McClellan, Lauren Guerin.

Staff Present: Andrew Breidenbaugh, Jacquelyn Zebos, Aracelis Chapman, Chely Cantrell, Sean McGarvey, Kathleen Langevin, Janet Marnatti, Candi Granda, Karen Slaton.

Meeting was called to order at 4 pm.

It was announced that District 3 member, Shelly McClellan, will not be reapplying for another term on the Public Library Board. There will be an upcoming recruitment for District 3 and District 4 vacancies.

Melissa Langlois and Judy Sullivan, on behalf of the Riverview Friends of the Library, spoke in favor of the room naming in honor of Gretchen Del Savio. The Library Board welcomed the Riverview Friends of the Library and expressed thanks for all their efforts and support.

Minutes from the July 28, 2022 meeting were approved.

BUDGET REVIEW

The Library's Fiscal 2022 Budget Report dated July 30, 2022 was reviewed along with activity summaries for the month of July 2022. There were no comments or concerns.

POLICIES & BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Library Board bylaws are under review. The Policies & Bylaws Committee is making further changes to language and will present a final draft with recommended changes once complete.

A request from the Riverview Friends of the Library was presented to name the room next to bookstore in honor of Gretchen DelSavio, former president of the Riverview Friends of the Library. District 4 member, Mr. Johnson, spoke in support of the naming. The Library Board unanimously voted to approve the naming of the Gretchen DelSavio Room at Riverview Library.

Library Board policies—LS2005, *Naming Public Library Facilities* and LS2007, *Naming Public Library Spaces*—are being reviewed for proposed updates. Any recommended changes will be brought back to a future meeting for approval.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Staff provided an update on our current staffing shortages. Other libraries in the area seem to be experiencing a comparable rate of position vacancies. USF library school staff have reached out about developing potential candidates. In the meantime, we are focused on key services such as customer assistance and access to collections. The County has implemented measures to better compete with the labor market. As more staff are added, services and hours will be restored.

NEW BUSINESS—None.

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Presented an overview of the changed policy structure and new policy and procedure categories.

Mr. Newett asked regarding Covid 19 cases among staff. There have been no more cases than the general public. Current guidelines from County and the CDC are being followed.

The Library Board bid farewell to outgoing member, Jim Johnson, presenting him with a plaque and letter from the Board of County Commissioners for 19 years of service to the Library Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38pm.

The next meeting of the Library Board is scheduled for Thursday, September 22, 2022, 4pm at Seffner-Mango Library.