

TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
JOHN F. GERMANY PUBLIC LIBRARY
MAY 23, 2013

Attendance: Bob Argus (Chair), Jim Johnson (Vice-Chair), Brenda Staton (Secretary), William Scheuerle, Daniel Blair, John McWhirter, Shelley Blood, Jim Duffy, Felicia Pecora, Mary Lou Tuttle and Alma Hires were present. Jim Harkins was excused.

Staff Present: Joe Stines, Director; Jacquelyn Zebos, Manager, Administrative & Reference Services; Aracelis Chapman, Sr. Administrative Specialist; Suzanne George, Chief Librarian; Megan Danak, Senior Librarian; Lisa Wagner, Administrative Services Coordinator.

Guests: Ricardo Cox, County Attorney's office; Armand Ternak, Division Director, Temple Terrace Library; Bridgette Lattimore, Fiscal & Support Services, Public Safety & Community Services.

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

No volunteers were present for recognition this month.

Minutes from the April 25, 2013 and May 6, 2013 meetings were approved.

Carol Jones, representing the Bloomingdale Friends of the Library, expressed concerns regarding the proposed big box development and potential impacts to road access to the Bloomingdale Regional Library.

Committee Reports

Budget Committee

The Library Board approved a recommendation brought by the Budget Committee to change its name to the Finance Committee.

The next meeting of the Finance Committee is scheduled for June 25, 2013, 3:00 p.m. at John F. Germany Library, Cameron Library Boardroom.

Planning Committee

A letter was approved in response to the Tampa Tribune editorial "Tower objections don't hold up" (Our Views, May 19).

An update from the measurements subcommittee will be forthcoming at a future Library Board meeting.

Discussion continued regarding the proposed Residences @ The Riverwalk and access to the west entrance of the John F. Germany Public Library. The Planning Committee will explore all options as part of the Library's master planning process.

Staff provided an update concerning the road easement adjacent to the Bloomingdale Regional Library. Funding has been earmarked for a traffic study, and preliminary drawings for future library parking lot expansion are underway.

An update was provided concerning the Robert W. Saunders, Sr. Library reconstruction and the possible use of its space and resources for small business centers.

The next meeting of the Planning Committee is scheduled for June 25, 2013, 4:00 p.m. at John F. Germany Library, Cameron Library Boardroom.

Policy & Bylaws Committee

Revisions to policy LS544, *Video Surveillance*, were unanimously approved as recommended by the Policy & Bylaws Committee.

The Library Board approved recommended changes to its Bylaws, including renaming of the Budget Committee to the Finance Committee and annual Bylaws review to be completed during the month of May. (Other recommendations were not acted upon.)

Unfinished Business—None.

New Business

Staff briefed the Library Board regarding the temporary closure of Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library for several days due to flooding from rains.

Mr. James Duffy was appointed to the Policy & Bylaws Committee.

Director's Report

An update was provided on the work of a staff committee to plan and publicize programs and events as part of the Library's upcoming Centennial.

The application deadline for Library Board vacancies is May 30, 2013. Alma Hires and Mary Lou Tuttle both announced that they will not be seeking reappointment for their terms expiring on June 30, 2013.

Mr. Stines informed the Library Board of his planned absence from the June 2013 meeting as he will be away at a conference. Linda Gillon, Manager, will lead the meeting in his absence.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.