MINUTES
BERKELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday, January 14, 2015, 5:30 P.M.

SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY – 1901 RUSSELL STREET

Board of Library Trustees:
Chair Abigail Franklin Winston Burton
Vice Chair Julie Holcomb Darryl Moore

Jim Novosel

I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

A copy of the agenda packet and a digital recording of the meeting is accessible at
http://www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org/about/board-library-trustees

A. Call to Order: 5:30 P.M.

Present: Trustees Burton, Franklin, Holcomb, Moore and Novosel.

Absent: None

Also Present: Jeff Scott, Director of Library Services; Suzanne Olawski, Deputy Director of Library Services; Andrea Mullarkey, Teen Librarian; Eve Franklin, Administrative Secretary.

Kathy Huff and Trish Hawthorne or Berkeley Public Library Foundation

B. Public Comments:

1. Charles Austin – Identified as a South Branch Library neighbor involved with a committee asking to rename South Branch in honor of Tarea Pittman. Will probably come to BOLT with request in March.

2. Will Phillips – advocated for renaming the South Berkeley Library in honor of Tarea Pittman

C. Report from library employees and unions, discussion of staff issues:

1. Andrea Mullarkey, SEIU 1021 Shop Steward – relayed staff kudos to Jeff Scoot on communication style and accessibility. Reported staff concerns on weeding project

D. Report from Board of Library Trustees:

1. Trustee Novosel – asked if Teen room was always as crowded as it is tonight.

2. Trustee Moore – Looking forward to attending the ALA Midwinter Conference in Chicago at the end of the month.

3. Trustee Burton – asked for a list of ALA events.

II. PRESENTATIONS CALENDAR

A. Annual Report to City Council

Jeff Scott, Director provided a presentation. (Attachment 1.)

Board discussion followed.
III. CONSENT CALENDAR

M/S/C Trustee Holcomb / Trustee Burton to adopt Resolution # R14-079 approving the Consent Calendar as presented.

A. Approve minutes of December 10, 2014 Regular Meeting

From: Director of Library Services
Recommendation: Adopt a resolution to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2014 Regular Meeting as presented.
Financial Implications: None.
Contact: Jeff Scott, Director of Library Services
Action: Adopted Resolution # R14-080

IV. INFORMATION REPORTS

A. January 2015 Monthly Report from Library Director

Trish Hawthorne, President of the Berkeley Public Library Foundation introduced new Executive Director Kathy Huff.

From: Director of Library Services
Contact: Jeff Scott, Library Director
Action: Received.

B. Library events

From: Director of Library Services
Contact: Jeff Scott, Library Director
Action: None.

V. AGENDA BUILDING

The next meeting will be a Regular Meeting held at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, February 11, 2105 at the South Branch Library, 1901 Russell Street, Berkeley.

Future agenda items:
- Lending E-Readers
- Branch and Department Presentations
- Tool Lending Library Hours
- Strategic Plan Update

VI. ADJOURNMENT


This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of January 14, 2015 as approved by the Board of Library Trustees
COMMUNICATIONS: none

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS:

1. Presentation to City Council