

MINUTES
BERKELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday, May 7, 2015, 6:30 P.M.

SOUTH BERKELEY SENIOR CENTER – 2939 ESSEX 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: 6:31 P.M.

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Jeff Scott, Director of Library Services; Eve Franklin, Administrative Secretary.

B. Public Comments:

1. S. Omowale Fowles – Spoke in support of renaming the South Branch Library after Tarea Hall Pittman.
2. Harry Overstreet – Spoke in support of renaming the South Branch Library after Tarea Hall Pittman.
3. Debi McIntyre – Spoke in support of renaming the South Branch Library after Tarea Hall Pittman.
4. Bart Bull – Spoke in support of renaming the South Branch Library after Tarea Hall Pittman.
5. Mansoor Id-deen – Spoke in support of renaming the South Branch Library after Tarea Hall Pittman.
6. Max Anderson – Spoke in support of renaming the South Branch Library after Tarea Hall Pittman.
7. Ben Bartlett – Spoke in support of renaming the South Branch Library after Tarea Hall Pittman.
8. Willie Phillips – Spoke in support of renaming the South Branch Library after Tarea Hall Pittman.

C. Report from library employees and unions, discussion of staff issues: None.

D. Report from Board of Library Trustees: None.

II. ACTION CALENDAR REPORTS

A. Library Facilities Naming Policy

Board Discussion.

From: Director of Library Services

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution to approve revisions to the Library Facilities Naming Policy.

Financial Implications: None.

Contact: Jeff Scott, Director of Library Services

Action: Trustee Novosel motioned, Trustee Holcomb seconded to approve revisions to the Library Facilities Naming Policy with the addition of Procedures, Item 5, Naming Design Committee to be formed of two Trustees and, 2 Branch Library staff and 3 community members to consider name and signage design.

Vote: Ayes: Trustees Burton and Franklin, Holcomb, Moore and Novosel. Noes: None. Absent: None. Abstentions: None.

Board Discussion.

Action: Trustee Moore motioned, Trustee Burton seconded to reconsider previous vote on revisions to the Library Facilities Naming Policy.

Vote: Ayes: Trustees Burton, Franklin, Holcomb, Moore and Novosel. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Abstentions: None.

Action: Trustee Holcomb motioned, Trustee Novosel seconded to approve revisions to the Library Facilities Naming Policy as follows:

- Strike the last sentence in Procedures, Item 3 ~~“In all cases involving branch libraries, the geographic name of the facility shall precede any added honorific name.”~~
- Addition of Procedures, Item 5, A Naming Design Committee to be formed and comprised of two Trustees and two Library staff and three community members to consider name and signage design.

Vote: Ayes: Trustees Franklin, Holcomb, Moore and Novosel. Noes: Trustee Burton. Absent: None.

Abstentions: None.

B. Renaming South Branch Library

From: Director of Library Services

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution approving the recommendation to City Council to rename the South Branch Library.

Financial Implications: None.

Contact: Jeff Scott, Director of Library Services.

Action: Trustee Holcomb motioned, Trustee Burton seconded to adopt a resolution approving the recommendation to City Council to rename the South Branch Library in honor of Tarea Hall Pittman.

Vote: Ayes: Trustees Burton and Franklin, Holcomb, Moore and Novosel. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Abstentions: None.

III. AGENDA BUILDING

The next meeting will be a Special Meeting held at 6:30 PM on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at the South Branch Library, 1901 Russell Street, Berkeley.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 7:36 P.M.

COMMUNICATIONS:

SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS: None.