



PUBLIC LIBRARY OF CHARLOTTE AND MECKLENBURG COUNTY

Library Board of Trustees
Main Library, Dickson Boardroom
Thursday, March 19th, 2009

4:00 p.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Darrel Williams, Chair
Bob Bisanar
Bob Sink
Magdalena Maiz-Peña
Joan Martin
Renee Casali
Bill Warren
Sally Robinson
Belva Greenage

TRUSTEES ABSENT

Charles Bowman
Robin Branstrom, Vice Chair

STAFF PRESENT

Charles Brown, Director of Libraries
Karen Beach
Brian Beavers
Frank Blair
David Singleton
Linda Vitlar
Cordelia Anderson
Patrice Ebert
Michele Gorman
Jason Hyatt

OTHERS PRESENT

*Mark Kutny, Hamilton,
Moon, Stephens, Steele &
Martin PLLCJ*
Carla DuPuy
*Barry Landstrom, WSOC
Channel 9*
Tammy Coghill, WPC

MINUTES

Chair Darrel Williams called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

Chair Williams asked the Board of Trustees for approval of the minutes of the January 29th, 2009 and February 26th, 2009 Library Board of Trustees regular and special meetings. On a motion by Sally Robinson, seconded by Bob Sink, the Trustees unanimously approved the minutes of both meetings.

Director Charles Brown announced that this year's Carla DuPuy Scholarship was awarded to Library Support Coordinator Jason Hyatt of the Outreach Services Department "Storytimes to Go", located at ImaginOn: The Joe & Joan Martin Center. Mr. Hyatt is enrolled in the MLIS program at the University of North Carolina-Greensboro.

Mr. Singleton then asked Teen Services Manager Michele Gorman to highlight the environmental craft project, the 6R Movement named the "Most Valuable" Program for 2008 in the *Voice of Youth Advocates* (VOYA) publication.

Director of Organizational Resources Brian Beavers requested Board approval for Budget Adjustments #02-04B, 02-09, 02-13, 02-25, and 02-25B. On a motion by Sally Robinson, seconded by Bob Sink, the Trustees unanimously approved the Budget Adjustments as submitted. (Copy of the Financial Report attached.)

Mr. Beavers delivered the Operations Committee Report.

Community Engagement Director Karen Beach then outlined the Development and Community Engagement Report.

Director Brown reviewed the progress in the development of the Library's Facilities Master Plan (FMP), including re-visits with city officials in Mint Hill, Matthews, Pineville, Cornelius, Davidson and the city of Charlotte to share the draft FMP. Mr. Brown added that further discussions are planned with the city of Charlotte.

Mr. Brown then introduced the C.O.R.E. Cabinet Director of Library Experiences David Singleton. Mr. Singleton shared with the Board his background and experience and presented his vision for the proposed Board-Library Experience committee.

Mr. Singleton presented the Strategic Plan. He informed the Trustees that the timelines are fluid and budget constraints will not deter the Library in achieving its goal. Mr. Singleton then requested that the Board approve the plan. On a motion by Bill Warren, seconded by Sally Robinson, the Trustees unanimously approved the Strategic Plan as submitted.

Director of Communications Cordelia Anderson outlined plans to package and market the strategy to our customers and staff.

Director Brown described the operational planning and scorecard measures that will evaluate the plan's success.

Chair Darrel Williams opened the discussion with the Trustees to consider the possibility of rescheduling the May Board meeting.

Attorney Mark Kutny explained the NC Statute that requires the Library Board of Trustees to adopt a conflict of interest policy.

Mr. Brown delivered highlights of the Director's Report, including the Library's successful Big Read initiative. In addition, related to the budget Mr. Brown shared a letter from a patron with concerns relating to loss of staff. Director Brown also informed the Trustees the county has informed the Library that no construction projects will be funded next year with the exception of the Hickory Grove Branch Library.

Trustee Belva Greenage reported on the Research, Innovation and Strategy Committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles M. Brown
Secretary to the Board

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