Attendance: John McWhirter (Chair), Brenda Staton (Vice Chair), Felicia Pecora (Secretary), Phyllis Alpert, Shelley Blood, Christine Kazor, Davis Gandees, Candi Martin, Shelia Spicola and Evan St. Ives were present. Peter Vaka and Jim Johnson were excused.

Staff present: Andrew Breidenbaugh, Linda Gillon, David Wullschleger, Aracelis Chapman, Renelda Sells, Jennifer Iley, Sheryl Herold, Linda Miller, Candy Granda.

Guest(s): Charlotte Diggs, County Attorney’s office.

The meeting was called to order at 4 pm with a quorum present.

The following volunteers from Riverview Library were recognized for their many hours of service:

- Lisa Bohn – 100 hours
- Gretchen Del Savio – 100 hours
- Phyllis Hollifield – 125 hours
- Anita Hoffman – 130 hours
- Patricia Moore – 180 hours
- Jadah Sa’Leese Sprueil – 100 hours

Minutes from the January 22, 2015 meeting were approved.

Public Comments: Gretchen DelSavio and Anita Hoffman, representing the Friends of the Riverview Library, spoke concerning the need for a replacement Riverview Library and urged the Library Board to move forward with the project.

Committee Reports

Finance

A Quarterly Source and Use Statement of library revenue for the first quarter of 2015 was provided.

Staff is currently reviewing usage statistics regarding the cooperative libraries of Temple Terrace and Plant City.

The County’s FY16 Budget process is underway with a departmental budget deadline of March 1, 2015.

There is a need for additional members to serve on the Finance Committee. Library Board members were asked to consider participating on the Finance Committee.

The next meeting of the Finance Committee was scheduled for March 24, 2015, 3:30 pm at John F. Germany Public Library. (Update: A joint meeting of the Finance/Planning Committee will be held on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 3:30 pm.)
Planning
An update was provided concerning the Riverview and C. Blythe Andrews, Jr. replacement projects. Citizen comments from the recent Riverview Library public meeting were shared.

Real Estate and Facilitates Management presented the Planning Committee with plans for the Bloomingdale and Upper Tampa Bay Library parking lot expansions.

The Planning Committee continues its review and discussion of JFG Master Plan.

Staff briefed the Library Board concerning a County Administrative Order that is being drafted to integrate the Law Library as a special branch of Hillsborough County Library Services Department with separate accounting and reporting structures. The Library Board unanimously expressed support for this change.

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Policy & Bylaws

Following review and discussion, the Library Board unanimously approved library policy, LS1108, Social Media.

The next Policy & Bylaws Committee meeting is scheduled for March 26, 2015, 3:30 pm at John F. Germany Public Library.

Unfinished Business – None.

New Business
At the Chair’s suggestion, the Library Board paid tribute to the mother of Dr. Ben Carson, an eminent educator and pediatric neurologist. As an author, Dr. Caron credits his mom, Sonya, with instilling a love of reading which inspired him to a life of learning and service to others.

Staff discussed procedures in place for shelving and “weeding” of library materials and tracking of missing parts.

Director’s Report
A copy of the duties of the Library Board outlined in FL State Statute, 84-443, were distributed to the all members. Mr. Breidenbaugh issued a call to action for Library Board members to advocate for the library by keeping their County Commissioners informed of how the library contributes to community prosperity.

An update was provided regarding land acquisition for the C. Blythe Andrews, Jr. replacement library project as well as the University area community and Robert W. Saunders, Sr. library projects underway.

It was proposed and accepted that Technology Updates, which have normally been part of the Planning Committee agenda, be moved to the Library Board agenda and
provided every other month.

The meeting was adjourned at 5 pm.