Attendance: Brenda Staton (Chair), Felicia Pecora (Vice Chair) Phyllis Alpert (Secretary), Davis Gandees, Candi Martin, Bob Argus, Shelley Blood, Howard Harris, Christine Kazor, Joan Zacharias and Jim Johnson.

Staff Present: Andrew Breidenbaugh, Aracelis Chapman, Jacquelyn Zebos, Lauren Levy, Renelda Sells, Lorie Tonti, Sheryl Herold, Janet Mamatti, Candy Granda, Laura Doyle and Bridgett Lattimore.

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

Minutes from the March 23, 2017 meeting were approved.

Presentations from the Public: Jan Simpson and Linda Rued, spoke in favor of making more library programs available that promote health and wellbeing, such as tai chi and yoga.

Committee Reports

Policy & Bylaws Committee

Updated policy LS107, Loan Periods and Use Limits, was approved as recommended by the Policy & Bylaws Committee.

Staff has recommended the committee meet quarterly due to the number of policies up for review. The Policy & Committee meetings are on hold until a meeting schedule is proposed at a later date.

Combined Finance & Planning Committees

The FY17 budget reports for the month of March 2017 were reviewed along with the Monthly Library Activity summary and the Quarterly Source and Use statement for the second quarter of 2017.

Staff briefed the Library Board on a recent budget reduction scenario exercise that was performed as part of the County FY18 and FY19 budget preparations.

Information will be made available to the Library Board members to assist in contacting elected officials in order to advocate for the Library.

The next meeting of the combined Finance & Planning Committee is scheduled for Thursday, May 25, 2017, 3 pm at James J. Lunsford Law Library.
Unfinished Business—None.

New Business

In response to a previous library board request, information was provided regarding the Library’s indirect cost requirements for the last ten years. The Library Board will have opportunity to ask questions during an upcoming presentation by the County’s Management & Budget Director.

Director’s Report

Tampa-Hillsborough County Public Library has been selected as the recipient of the 2017 Florida Library Association’s Betty Davis Miller Youth Services Award for the MILO (Mobile Interactive Literacy Opportunity) initiative. This award honors one outstanding Florida library youth program that promotes reading, literacy and library use. A commendation was also received from Commissioner Sandra Murman for MILO.

James W. Duffy has been named by the Florida Library Association as Outstanding Citizen award recipient.

The Library is partnering with Peer to Peer University (P2PU) on an IMLS National Leadership Grant (which has been awarded) to develop and evaluate the Learning Circles program. Learning Circles are study groups for people who want to take online courses together, in person.

Staff presented information about Smart Money Week programs and events.

Laura Doyle, branch supervisor for Port Tampa Library was introduced.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:13 pm.