TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
WEST TAMPA LIBRARY
MARCH 22, 2018

Attendance: Felicia Pecora (Chair), Phyllis Alpert (Vice Chair), Shelley Blood (Secretary), Jim Johnson, Bob Argus, Howard Harris, Candi Martin, Maggie Coleman and Davis Gandees were present. Carmen Alvarez, Christine Kazor and Joan Zacharias were excused.


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

Minutes from the February 22, 2018 meeting were approved.

Presentations from the Public: Berry Wright, of JBBW Enterprises LLC, representing Tide Dry Cleaners, presented site drawings for a proposed parcel acquisition located on Bloomingdale Regional Library property. The Library Board tabled any recommendation and requested Mr. Wright redraw the proposed site diagram to address traffic safety concerns and bring back to a future meeting for discussion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance & Planning Committee

The FY18 monthly budget reports were reviewed along with a Quarterly Source and Use Statement and the Monthly Library Activity and Branch summaries.

Staff provided an overview of preparations for the FY19 Library Services budget.

The next meeting of the combined Finance & Planning Committee is scheduled for Thursday, April 26, 3 pm at Jimmie B. Keel Library.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Friends of the Library meeting scheduled was discussed. Library Board members were asked to notify the Library Board coordinator should they plan to attend in order to be in compliance with Sunshine Laws.

NEW BUSINESS—None

ADVOCACY REPORTS

Mr. Harris shared that the unofficial Friends group of the C. Blythe Andrews, Jr. Library held tutoring sessions for students during Spring break in which 18 children participated.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

The grand opening celebration for the new Arthenia L. Joyner University Community Library will take place on Monday, March 26 starting at 10 am.

There are four Library Board members whose terms are expiring in June 2018. They are encouraged to complete applications for reappointment.
The Library Board is invited to attend the Friends of the Library Annual Meeting on April 10th at Robert W. Saunders, Sr. Library starting at 5 pm.

A report was provided of all safety measures at Library facilities and enhancements underway to make libraries safer.

Staff presented an overview of eBook platforms available through the online library, HCPLC.org.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 pm.

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