

FLORIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY
Monthly Meeting Minutes – December 1, 2014

I. Call to Order: 7:30pm

Board Members Present: Kelemen, Scott, Pskowski, Murphy, Fernandez
Board Members Excused: Arcieri, Linton
Board Members Absent:
Also Present: Director Folino, Treasurer Kosier

II. Minutes

Motion by Trustee Kelemen seconded by Trustee Pskowski to approve the minutes of the November 3, 2014 monthly meeting as printed.

VOTE: 5 YES 0 NO

III. Announcements and Comments from the Public - none

IV. Treasurer's Report

Motion by Trustee Scott seconded by Trustee Kelemen to accept the financial report for November as printed.

VOTE: 5 YES 0 NO

V. Library Report

Motion by Trustee Pskowski seconded by Trustee Scott to accept the Library Report as amended.

VOTE: 5 YES 0 NO

VI. Communications – none

VII. Committee Reports

A. Finance – Trustee Arcieri – Committee Meeting scheduled

B. Personnel – Trustee Fernandez – Committee Meeting scheduled

C. Nominating – Trustee Linton

D. House - Trustee Kelemen

VIII. Unfinished Business

- A. Fundraising – Calendar** – Trustee Murphy encouraged everyone to sell more calendars.
- B. Long Range Plan** – Certain items that emerged from the focus groups will be discussed immediately with the staff rather than waiting for a formal budget. Work can then begin immediately to implement changes, and who will carry out the plans specifics.

IX. New Business

A. Donations

\$100 – Calendar sales (cash)
\$5 – Denise Madura

Motion by Trustee Scott seconded by Trustee Pskowski to accept \$105 from various donors, to thank the donors and to credit this amount to the Donations (line 4050) of the budget.

VOTE: 5 YES 0 NO

B. Targeted Donations

Motion by Trustee Kelemen seconded by Trustee Scott to accept \$50 from the Orange Library Association for the Orange Reads book discussion and to credit this amount to the Targeted Donations (4060) and Adult Programs (5241) lines of the budget

VOTE: 5 YES 0 NO

C. Tax Cap Override Resolution

Motion by Trustee Scott seconded by Trustee Kelemen to adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, the adoption of the 2015-2016 budget for the Florida Public Library requires a tax levy increase that exceeds the tax cap imposed by state law as outlined in General Municipal Law Section 3-c adopted in 2011; and

Whereas, General Municipal Law section 3-c expressly permits the library board to override the tax levy limit by a resolution approved by a vote of sixty percent of qualified board members; now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Florida Public Library voted and approved to exceed the tax levy limit for 2015-2016 by at least sixty percent of the Board of Trustees as required by state law on December 1, 2014.

VOTE: 5 YES 0 NO

D. Election Day 2015

Motion by Trustee Kelemen seconded by Trustee Pskowski to hold the annual library budget vote and trustee election on Thursday, April 9, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

VOTE: 5 YES 0 NO

E. RCLS Workshop on Open Meetings Law (11/20) – Trustee Scott reported that the workshop was interesting and focused on a variety of legal issues. There was a particular focus on what constitutes an open meeting, and the libraries' obligation to post minutes of said meetings so as not to incur penalties and or have votes voided.

F. Items for future agendas- The library was approached about taking part in a joint fundraiser with the Seward Group working on the Mapes House. It was decided the library would not take part, at least not until the plan was a bit more fleshed out.

X. Adjournment

Motion by Trustee Kelemen seconded by Trustee Pskowski to adjourn at 8:08pm.

VOTE: 5 YES 0 NO

Next Meeting: Regular Monthly Meeting: Monday, January 5, 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by
Adam Fernandez, Secretary