

**MINUTES OF THE
LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
September 24, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Member Georgieff at 2:30 p.m. at the Fullerton Public Library in the Board Room.

ROLL CALL

Present: Board Members Britt, Buck, and Georgieff

Absent: President Johnson and Board Member Hebeling

Staff: Rob Ferrier, Assistant to the City Manager
Maureen Gebelein, Director
Ruth Leopold, Recording Secretary
Chris Meyer, City Manager

Guest(s): Babette Carlson, Foundation Member
Ray Kawase

Public Comments

No public comments.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- Warrant Register of September, 2009
- Expenditure Summary of September, 2009
- Acceptance of Donations

MOTION made by Board Member Buck, SECONDED by Board Member Britt and CARRIED unanimously by all voting members present to APPROVE the consent calendar as written.

Director's Report

Director Gebelein reported on the following:

- City hiring freeze continues and announcement made of pay cuts for executive employees.
- Patron services – the customer service surveys have been well received. Director Gebelein spoke about one survey that was submitted. Board Member Britt suggested sending it to the local media.
- Fullerton Reads programming
- Brown Bag Book Discussion group update

Friends of the Library

Board Member Britt announced that the Friends are preparing for the Book Sale.

September 15 City Council Meeting

Assistant to the City Manager Ferrier reported on the 2010 Census and encouraged the Board to let people know how important it is to be counted.

Director Gebelein said the Sister City Association thanked the Library for the gifts donated for their trip to Japan.

Library Foundation

Foundation Representative Babette Carlson gave an update on the Foundation meeting.

Director Gebelein reported that the Library is scheduled to be on the City Council agenda for October 20.

Foundation Member Ray Kawase reported on the Library Expansion fundraising.

Board Member Britt stated that the Friends voted to commit \$50,000 toward the Library Expansion over the next few years.

Director Gebelein spoke about some potential staff activities to encourage fundraising for the Expansion. Board Member Buck said he has a problem with asking staff to donate and explained his reasons why.

Board Member Georgieff asked if the Foundation has a complete Board or is it still searching for members. Foundation Member Carlson said names have been submitted but people declined and are still searching for members. Foundation Member Kawase said the Foundation group is a very dedicated and hardworking group and the Foundation members are expected to financially support the Library.

Board Member Georgieff requested to have Foundation Member Carlson present the Library Honor Wall policy to the Foundation.

Assistant to the City Manager Report

Assistant to the City Manager Ferrier gave an update about the Senate legislation.

Library Expansion and Remodel Project

Director Gebelein presented an update on the Library Expansion.

Regular Business

Library Expansion Donor Recognition Policy

Director Gebelein reported on the policy. Board Member Buck made several changes to the first two paragraphs and presented them to the Board. He expressed that people who donated between \$1,000 and \$2,499 should be acknowledged differently than what is stated in the policy and should receive permanent recognition. Director Gebelein explained that it is up to the Foundation to determine how to acknowledge all donors. Foundation Member Carlson explained why the Foundation probably chose to only permanently recognize donors of \$2,500 and above. The Board continued to discuss the policy.

MOTION made by Board Member Buck, SECONDED by Board Member Britt and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY by all voting members present to APPROVE the document as is stated now with the editorial changes made to the first two paragraphs of the policy.

Board Member Buck requested additional editorial changes to be made to the document.

MOTION made by Board Member Britt, to APPROVE AMENDMENT to the MOTION.

MOTION made by Board Member Buck to ACCEPT draft of Fullerton Library Expansion Donor Recognition Policy with said changes. (2 Voted Yes, 1 Voted No)

Board Member Buck stated he feels very strongly that there should be permanent recognition for donors of \$1,000 and above.

Correspondence

Board Member Georgieff read a postcard sent from Board Member Buck while on vacation.

Board Member Round Table

Board Member Buck reported on his vacation and the libraries he visited. He also gave an update on the Town and Gown program. He spoke about a lecture he attended at UCLA and spoke about the value of having a Speaker Series at the Library.

Board Member Britt enjoyed reading the "\$64 Tomato" and said it was a funny book to read. She would like to do more on promoting the Library's website. Board Member Georgieff said he would like to see a monitor out in Main floor that shows the Library's website.

Adjournment

MOTION made by Board Member Buck, SECONDED by Board Member Georgieff, to ADJOURN meeting at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Leopold
Recording Secretary