

**MINUTES
LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

March 15, 2011
5:00 P.M.
Central Library
7111 Talbert Avenue
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cox, Croteau, Lewis, Budwig, Miles, Kuperberg, and Vogel

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Beverage, Miltko

COUNCIL LIAISONS PRESENT: None

PRESENTATIONS/COMMENDATIONS:

Ms. Beverage announced that Connie George was the Dewey Award winner for the month of February.

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CHAIR CROTEAU ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES AS SUBMITTED: SO MOVED BY MS. VOGEL AND MR. LEWIS SECONDED. AS NONE WERE OPPOSED, THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 15, 2011 WERE ACCEPTED AS SUBMITTED.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Richard Moore was a guest speaker. Mr. Moore reported on a CALTAC conference he attended in Milpitas and passed out the Proclamation for the City of Milpitas, suggesting it would be beneficial for the City of Huntington Beach Council to create one.

Mr. Moore also announced the upcoming HB Read event schedule:

3/15/11 – Barnes & Noble book discussion

3/16/11 – Huntington Beach Downtown Artwalk

3/24/11 – Mrs. Hart, author, will give a presentation at Huntington Beach High School

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

Ms. Miltko asked that the February minutes, since approved, be signed by the Chair.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

F-1. Library Strategic Plan

Ms. Beverage reported that she and Management Team are continuing to develop objectives.

Chair Croteau asked if there were any further questions or comments and, there being none, she moved to the next item.

F-2. State Budget

Ms. Beverage informed the Board that Congress and the State Senate compromised to give some funding to libraries and sustain state-wide programs. Ms Beverage explained that Proposition L was asking Council to make libraries a priority within the existing budget, giving libraries a higher priority than previously. Huntington Beach City Council is in the beginning phase of creating a Resolution to support libraries; Ms. Beverage will bring the final Resolution to the Board.

Chair Croteau asked if there were any further questions or comments and, there being none, she moved to the next item.

F-3. HB Reads

Ms. Beverage stated that she had nothing more to add to Richard Moore’s informational presentation.

Chair Croteau asked if there were any further questions or comments and, there being none, she moved to the next item.

F-4. Library Policy Development

Ms. Beverage presented two new policies, **Public Services** and **Technology**, for the board to review. The policies reflect the new organizational structure since the retirement of eight employees in October 2010.

Mr. Miles asked Ms Beverage if the library will reopen on Sundays. Ms. Beverage responded that the library does not have the budget to sustain Sunday operations and she cannot be certain if it will open on Sundays in the future.

Mr. Kuperberg asked Richard Moore what other libraries are doing to address budgetary issues. Mr. Moore said San Diego, Riverside and Monrovia Libraries are combining operations with other departments or agencies. For example, libraries are leasing space to school districts where they have established charter schools.

Ms. Beverage announced that the Library has received extensive funding support from Friends of the Library; the group has gone above and beyond to help maintain programs and services.

CHAIR CROTEAU ENTERTAINED A MOTION TO APPROVE BOTH THE PUBLIC SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY POLICIES: SO MOVED BY MR. KUPERBERG AND SO SECONDED BY MR. LEWIS. AS NONE WERE OPPOSED, THE BOARD ADOPTED AND ACCEPTED THE LIBRARY’S PUBLIC SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY POLICIES.

Chair Croteau asked if there were any further questions or comments and, there being none, she moved to the next item.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Ms. Miltko distributed library program fliers and information.

Ms. Beverage described the Book Spine and Tiles fundraising programs in the Children’s Library.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Ms. Beverage showed the mock-up of the Taste of Huntington Beach and Kiwanis marketing signs to be wrapped around each column at the Central Library entrance.

Mr. Budwig reported on the Salt Lake City, Utah Genealogy visit, and distributed the Genealogy Society calendar for April, May and June.

CALTAC:

Mr. Moore informed the Board that CLA will visit Sacramento on May 18, 2011 for Legislative day.

LIBRARY BOARD COMMENTS:

None

STAFF COMMENTS:

Ms. Beverage notified the Board she will continue to bring budget updates to the meetings. Presently the library is looking at increasing room rentals to recoup some losses.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Croteau entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Kuperberg moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Miles seconded the motion. There being no more business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by,

Betty Croteau, Chair