

New Orleans Public Library

Board of Directors Regular Meeting Main Library Board Room Tuesday, October 20, 2015 4:30 PM

Minutes

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order—Board Chair
- II. Roll Call—Board Clerk
 - 1. Bernard Charbonnet— Present
 - 2. William A. Settoon Present
 - 3. Vonda Flentroy-Rice—Present (Arrived after Roll Call)
 - 4. Arnel Cosey— Present
 - 5. Raquel Dufauchard Baptiste—Present (Arrived after Roll Call)
 - 6. Laurance Eustis III Present
 - 7. Phala Kimbrough Mire **Not Present**
 - 8. Lee Reid— Present
 - 9. Duane Stelly—Present
 - 10. Charles Brown, John Marc Sharpe, Jessica Styons, Michel Thompson, and Lawrence Williams—Staff Present
- III. Action Item: Approval of Board Meeting Minutes for October 20, 2015. The Board Chairman requested motion to approve the minutes for the October 20, 2015 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Motion by Lee Reid. Seconded by Duane Stelly. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.
- IV. Action Item: 2016 Millage Resolution. Michel Thompson advised the Library Board of the necessity of approving the annual millage resolution. The approved resolution is forwarded to the City Council to communicate the Board's intention to maintain its current millage rate for the upcoming fiscal year. The Board Chairman requested a motion to approve the 2016 Millage Resolution to maintain the Library's current millage at 3.14. Motion by W. Settoon. Seconded by Lee Reid. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

V. Old Business

Bylaws Committee Report—Laurance Eustis and Lawrence Williams
provided the Board with an update on the Bylaws Committee's efforts to
revise and update the Library Boards Bylaws. Mr. Eustis indicated that he is
planning to meet with the City Attorney's office to help draft the new
bylaws which should be available for the full board's adoption by the 1st
quarter of 2016.

- 2. **BP Deepwater Horizon Settlement investment options**—the Library Administration presented the Board with several design options for the Nora Navra branch. The options included plans to create more parking availability and meeting room space. After considering the options, the Board requested that the administration return to the next board meeting with answers to specific design questions.
- Strategic Directions Presentation—Charles Brown introduced Toni Garvey, Co-Principal, Providence Associates, who is a library consultant that led a presentation to the board to consider options for expansion of library services.
- VI. **Public Comments**—no public comments
- VII. **Attachments**—the Board Chairman requested the board to review the attachments to the agenda packet.
- VIII. **Adjournment** the Board Chairman Officer requested unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting. The board offered no objection and the October 20, 2015 meeting adjourned at approximately 5:30P.