

Minutes of the WFPL Board of Governance
Special Budget Meeting held Thursday, March 10, 2016
at the Pensacola Library, 239 North Spring St., Pensacola, FL 32502

Board Members Present:

- Dr. Rebecca Temple, Library Board of Governance, Chairman
- Dr. Rodney Guttman, Library Board of Governance, Vice-Chairman
- Frances Yeo, Library Board of Governance Member
- David J. Bryant, Library Board of Governance Member
- Lynne Tobin, Library Board of Governance Member

Board Members Absent:

- N/A

Library Administration Present:

- Todd J. Humble, Library Director
- Jennifer Yannuzzi, Interim Library Manager
- John D. Shelton, Director's Aide

I. Call to Order

Dr. Temple called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

II. Invocation

Ms. Tobin gave the invocation.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Bryant led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States.

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Ms. Tobin, and carried unanimously, adopting the agenda.

V. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Ms. Yeo and carried unanimously, adopting the January 25th, 2016 meeting minutes.

VI. FY 2016-17 Draft Budget Review:

- Mr. Humble began the discussion of the budget review by explaining what the library currently has in funding and what WFPL is likely to expect during the next fiscal year. Because of the expected increase in the value of the MSTU and what the state grant should be, he will be able to cover the boosting of county library employees from the City of Pensacola pay scale to the Escambia County pay scale without negatively

impacting the current budget or WFPL's reserves. The Board unanimously gave their support in him doing so.

- The Director then described several projects he would like pay for using reserve funding; security camera system for the Pensacola Library, RFID badge access control for the Pensacola Library, a book vending machine that would stock over 300 items and would allow 24 hour access, an RFID book return sorter for Tryon, and bank-teller style drive up windows for Tryon and Southwest Branches. The possibility of using LOST funds for some of the projects was suggested by Dr. Guttman. Mr. Humble also spoke about several other RFID-based solutions for making the library work more efficiently.
- Mr. Humble informed the Board he intends to apply for grants for Makerspaces. He also stated he will have a list of possible projects to spend down LOST funds at the next meeting.
- Ms. Yeo left the Meeting at 6:30 pm.

VII. Public Forum

- No comments from the public.

VIII. Open Board Discussion

- Mr. Bryant spoke about the ongoing job study and raised concerns as to whether it could negatively impact the current efforts to raise the library staff wages to the current county level.
- Mr. Humble offered his congratulations to Ms. Yeo and Ms. Tobin on being reelected to the Board of Governance by the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners.
- Mr. Bryant suggested changing the order of the next meeting to allow the Friends of the Library groups and the public to address the board earlier in the meeting vice waiting until the end. The order is to be changed to have Public Forum and the Friends' reports occur after the Chairman asks if there is anything to add to the agenda.

IX. Future Meeting Schedule and Location

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, March 28, 2016, 4:00 p.m. at the Pensacola Library, 239 North Spring Street, Pensacola, FL 32502.

X. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Dr. Temple at 7:26 pm.