

CORAL GABLES LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Meeting, February 9, 2011

Coral Gables Sub-regional Library, Meeting Room

MEMBERS	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	APPOINTED BY
Amy Kutell	P		P		P		P		P		P	E	Mayor Donald D. Slesnick II
Ileana Davis	P		E		P		E		P		P	P	Vice-Mayor William H. Kerdyk, Jr.
Pamela Admire	E		P		P		E		P		P	P	Comm. Maria Anderson
Kendell Turner	P		P		P		P		P		P	P	Comm. Rafael "Ralph" Cabrera, Jr.
Nancy Leslie	P		P		E		P		P		P	P	Comm. Wayne "Chip" Withers

STAFF:

Dan Keys, Public Service Director
Ayliin Hernandez, Public Service Department

A = Absent
P = Present
E = Excused

GUESTS:

Grace Armada, Miami Dade Public Library System

OPEN MEETING:

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Kendell Turner, at 3:08 p.m. The roll was taken and a quorum was present. A motion was made to adopt the minutes from the December 8, 2010 meeting as written. The motion was seconded, voted upon and passed with a unanimous vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LIBRARY HISTORY: Kendell Turner requested that this item remain on the agenda since Amy Kutell will be looking into a History Month event. Dan Keys agreed.

PUBLICATIONS & PUBLICITY: Kendell Turner mentioned that she will be working on the article of the Library's History and she invited Grace Armada to contribute a quote. Grace Armada confirmed.

LIBRARY REPORT: Grace Armada provided an update on the Librarian's report. She commented on the success of the Russian, English and Spanish Club programs. Grace informed the Board of the Japanese Story Telling night and the success it has had. Ileana Davis mentioned that the Japanese Consulate will be interested to hear of this community program. Kendell Turner mentioned that Bill Kerdyk's children have an interest in the Japanese culture and may enjoy this program, as well.

Grace informed that the Tax Preparation service is offered on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:30 to 5 pm. She also mentioned the 2011 Story Telling Camp will be offered from March 14th through March 18, 2011.

Grace introduced the 40 Years of Library Excellence and described a scrapbook of library memories that is in the process. She encouraged the Board to share their stories of what the Library means to them. Kendell inquired on whether Dade County would like to advertise this celebration on Channel 77 and Grace stated she will look into it.

LIBRARY MAINTENANCE: Dan Keys informed that the City of Coral Gables provided mulch and that Dade County spread it out. He also pointed out that the replanting of the Butterfly plants needs to be done.

BUTTERFLY GARDEN: Grace Armada reported that the mulch provided by the City made a remarkable improvement to the landscape. She also mentioned that the benches in the Butterfly Garden were repainted. Grace encouraged the Board to go by the Butterfly Garden and see the difference the improvements have made.

Ileana Davis commented she will encourage the president of the Florida Native Plants to make a donation to the Butterfly Garden.

Nancy Leslie informed the Board that the Garden Club has budgeted \$1,000 for the replanting of the Butterfly plants. She also mentioned a quote will be required as the funds are drawn. Dan Keys advised that he would provide a list of plants that could be purchased with these funds.

NEW BUSINESS:

MEMBER TERM LIMITS: Discussion took place on whether some members will have served the eight year limit in May 2011. Kendell Turner pointed out that the City Clerk's list of Appointment Dates may be incorrect. Kendell offered to pass by the City Clerk's office and request verification of the dates. She also commented that recommendations of individuals with an interest in Libraries are well received by Commissioners.

ANNUAL REPORT: Dan presented the Board with the 2010 Annual Report. The Board made a motion to approve the 2010 Annual Report. The motion was second, adopted and passed with a unanimous vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Kendell Turner shared a photograph of the Water Tower made out of ginger bread and mentioned it was created by Phillip's Family children. Kendell also announced there will be a Water Tower Fundraiser Party on March 24, 2011 at 501 Alhambra Circle (Bill Bonn's residence) and the invitations will be sent out soon.

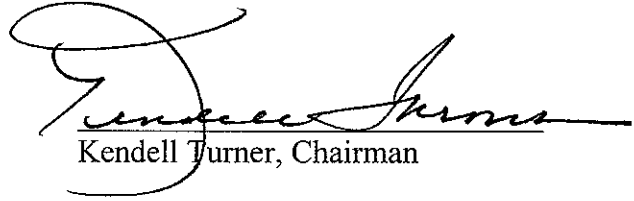
Ileana Davis offered to donate a picture of the Water Tower to the Library Advisory Board.

BOARD ITEMS/CITY COMMISSION UPDATE: None

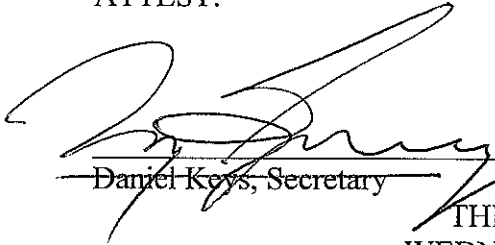
CITY PROJECTS UPDATE: Dan mentioned a presentation was made before the Commission that led to a motion to move forward with planning for improvements to Miracle Mile and Giralda Avenue.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

APPROVED:


Kendell Turner, Chairman

ATTEST:


~~Daniel Keys, Secretary~~

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THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2011, AT 3:00 P.M.
IN THE CORAL GABLES SUB-REGIONAL LIBRARY MEETING ROOM
3443 Segovia Street, Coral Gables, Florida