

**CORAL GABLES LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
REQUEST FOR COMMISSION ACTION INCLUDED**

Minutes of Meeting, December 14, 2016
Coral Gables Branch Library, Meeting Room

MEMBERS	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	APPOINTED BY
Jane Maranos	P		P		P	A		P		E		E	Mayor Cason
Lisa Bennett	P		P		P	P		P		P		P	Vice-Mayor Quesada
Charlotte Smiley	-		-		P	P		E		P		P	Comm. P. Keon
Blanca Mesa	-		P		P	E		P		P		P	Comm. V. Lago
Donna Heisenbottle	P		P		P	P		P		P		P	Comm. J. Slesnick
Myra Silverstein	P		P		P	P		P		P		P	City Manager, C. Swanson-Rivenbark
Sherry Zhang	P		P		A	P		P		E		E	Board As a Whole

STAFF:

Bob Boberman, Landscape Services Superintendent
Ayliin Hernandez, Clerical Assistant, Recording Secretary

A = Absent
P = Present
E = Excused

GUESTS:

Dona Spain, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Director
Catherine Cathers, Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Specialist

OPEN MEETING:

The meeting was called to order by Lisa Bennett, Chair, at 3:13 p.m. The roll was taken and a quorum was present. **A motion was made to “Approve the minutes of October 19, 2016.” The motion was seconded, voted upon and passed with a unanimous vote.**

NEW BUSINESS:

JEAN WARD SCULPTURES: Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Director, Dona Spain, advised the community declined the installation of the Jean Ward Sculptures at Young Park. She added a resolution that was passed by the Commission in 2003 requesting the sculptures be displayed on Library grounds. Renderings were presented. Discussion developed on the name of the sculptures, “Will o’ the Wisp,” “The Prince” and “The Most Beautiful, the Most Good.” The board expressed their appreciation for the presentation.

OLD BUSINESS:

LIBRARY RENOVATIONS: Ms. Heisenbottle advised no progress has been made. Discussion focused on the board’s motion (Request for Commission Action in expediting the Library Renovations) made at the October 19, 2016 board meeting. Those minutes will be presented before the Commission in January 2017. The historical significance of the Coral Gables Library was discussed. Ms. Spain offered her assistance by contacting the Public Library System.

LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE/BUTTERFLY GARDEN: Mr. Boberman confirmed the plants purchased by the Garden Club were planted. He advised the \$700 sprinkler pump was paid from the Landscape Services budget. Installation of the pump is pending. Discussion developed on the poor appearance of the Library grounds. The Interlocal Agreement was discussed. The board requested a copy of the agreement. Mr. Boberman mentioned the County should maintain the Library grounds.

PUBLICATIONS & PUBLICITY: The board mentioned the City Magazine did not include the Library information. Discussion focused on a motion recently made to have the Library information included in the City Magazine.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Ms. Ardito mentioned there will be an increase of adult programs. Ballroom dancing, a jazz band and a musical will be offered. Discussion developed on including this information in the City Magazine.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / GENERAL DISCUSSION: The board presented the Library staff with a flower arrangement as a token of appreciation for their service.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

APPROVED:



Lisa Bennett, Chair

ATTEST:



Bob Boberman, Secretary

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2017, AT 3:00 P.M.
IN THE CORAL GABLES BRANCH LIBRARY MEETING ROOM
3443 Segovia Street, Coral Gables, FL