

CORAL GABLES LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Meeting, January 14, 2009

Coral Gables Subregional Library Meeting Room

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

STAFF:

Dan Keys, Public Service Director

A = Absent

P = Present

E = Excused

GUESTS:

Ian Rosenior, Miami-Dade Public Library System

Grace Armada, Miami-Dade Public Library System

Denise Delgado, Miami-Dade Public Library System

RECORDING SECRETARY: Janet Carrasquillo, Public Service Department

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Kendell Turner at 3:02 p.m. The roll was taken and a quorum was present. A motion was made to adopt the minutes from the January 14, 2009 meeting as written. The motion was seconded, voted upon and passed with a unanimous vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LIBRARY HISTORY: Kendell Turner reported that Marty Grafton has donated \$100 to the Pancoast Family Celebrating Legacy event, which will be used to pay the pianist.

Kendell Turner opened discussion regarding food for the event noting that Ileana Davis reported that her efforts to obtain donations from various vendors had been unsuccessful and has offered to bring wine, plates and napkins. Discussion resulted in board members volunteering to supplement the food that will be purchased with the \$150 available from the Miami-Dade Public Library System. Details of what will be purchased will be worked out by Kendell Turner and Dan Keys.

Amy Kutell reported that Nancy Leslie had advised her of an additional painting by Lester Pancoast that would be available for the show if needed. The board decided that it could be used only if another piece that was previously planned on was not available.

Kendell Turner reported that she and Denise Delgado had been interviewed regarding the Pancoast Family Celebrating Legacy event, by the City's cable TV and it was being aired. She has not seen the segment yet, but heard that it turned out very good. Kendell noted that the Coral Gables cable TV crew will also be attending the event and interviewing people that attend.

Denise Delgado reported that Gendry Bossano had spoken with the Youth Center teacher, Carmen Martinez, and had received most of the information needed on the artwork being created by the children. Denise also noted that Gendry is in need for additional information on the four pieces of artwork that have not been received from Marty Grafton. Amy Kutell made a note to try and get the information to her as soon as possible. Denise reported that the rendering of the library was being reframed by the Miami-Dade Public Library System and asked what should be done with the rendering of the South Miami library. Kendell Turner asked that both renderings be held by the Miami-Dade Public Library System until after the event when it can be determined where they should be kept.

Discussion regarding the event agenda was held. The Pancoast Family Celebrating Legacy event is scheduled to start at 6 p.m. It was decided that the speaking would begin at 6:30 p.m. Protocol states that the County Mayor or his representative should speak first, followed by the City of Coral Gables Mayor, and the Library Advisory Board Chairman, who would introduce Marty Grafton as the senior Pancoast family member. Set up for the event will begin around 5 p.m. and members were encouraged to be available to help.

PUBLICATIONS & PUBLICITY: Kendell Turner reported that she had seen Elaine de Valle from the Miami Herald at City Hall the other day. Kendell will be contacting Elaine to ask her to come to the Pancoast Family Celebrating Legacy event and cover it; she is hoping that Elaine will do this.

LIBRARY REPORT: Grace Armada reported that she had put the order in to have the carpet cleaned and that she already had the piano tuned. Announcements include; there will be a story telling camp at the library during spring break, the branch had received 20 laptop computers for public use, and on February 27th, she and Carmen will be attending a luncheon to receive an award for system wide programming.

LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE/BUTTERFLY GARDEN: Dan Keys reported that the butterfly sculpture donation situation went before the Cultural board, which is the board it needed to go to before being accepted by the City. They sent it to the Landscape Beautification Advisory Board for their recommendation. Dan asked for clarification as to whether the Miami-Dade Public Library System would be providing a plexi-glass display case or not. Ian Rosenior noted that the last thing he had heard it had not been decided how the sculpture would be displayed; on the wall, on a table, or on a pedestal. Dan stated that in order to have the information available for board consideration, he had made a sketch of a pedestal with a plexi-glass top and submitted it to the Public Works department for a cost estimate.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None.

BOARD ITEMS/CITY COMMISSION UPDATE: None.

CITY PROJECTS UPDATE: Dan Keys advised board members that the City is moving toward getting a new City Manager. The Commission is moving along with planning a new streetscape for Miracle Mile that will include parallel parking as a base design from which estimates will be made for several different parking arrangements.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

APPROVED:

Kendell Turner, Chairman

ATTEST:

Daniel Keys, Secretary

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2009, AT 3:00 P.M.
IN THE CORAL GABLES SUBREGIONAL LIBRARY MEETING ROOM
3443 Segovia Street, Coral Gables, Florida