



## TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library

August 22, 2024

Members Present: Phyllis Alpert (Chair), Maggie Mardirosian (Vice Chair), Liz Hawley (Secretary), Carmen Alvarez, Mary Kate Downing, Abigail StClair, Jessica Ocasio and Alicia Guy.

Member(s) Absent: Curtis Brown, Bob Argus, Michael Newett.

Staff Present: Andrew Breidenbaugh, Renelda Sells, Jasmine Qronfleh, Chely Cantrell, Allie Brazis, Hetalben Patel, Marci LaTorella and Stephanie Garza.

The meeting was called to order at 4pm with a quorum present.

PUBLIC COMMENT—None.

Minutes from the July 25, 2024 meeting were approved.

The Library's Fiscal 2024 Budget report for July 2024 was reviewed along with the monthly activity summaries. There was discussion about the collections budget and improving wait times for customer holds as well as database use on the activity summaries.

The Nominating Committee recommended the below candidates for Library Board officer positions. There were no other nominations from the floor. A vote will be taken at the ~~September 26, 2024~~ regular Library Board meeting. (*Note: the September and October meetings were canceled due to storms.*)

Chair: Maggie Mardirosian  
Vice Chair: Carmen Alvarez  
Secretary: Liz Hawley (2<sup>nd</sup> term)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS—None.

NEW BUSINESS—None.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Staff presented data on Library Promotions as a follow up to previous discussion of that line item during the monthly budget review. Promotions budget expenses include Summer Reading promotional giveaways, the Library's events calendar, digital billboard advertising, target market magazine advertisements, and Riverwalk banners.

The Library Budget Manager position vacancy has been filled.

The Library Board was briefed on a car accident that occurred at C. Blythe Andrews, Jr. Library this past weekend resulting in damage to the southwest corner of the building. The Friends room will be temporarily closed while an evaluation of any structural damage and repairs are done.

There have been many challenges over the summer in maintaining library facilities. We are working with facilities to get a roof repair contract in place as well as to complete air conditioning repairs.

Marci LaTorella, new Branch Supervisor at Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library, was introduced.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm. The next regular meeting of the Public Library Board is scheduled for ~~Thursday, September 26, 2024 at Seffner-Mango Branch Library.~~ (Note: *September and October meetings were canceled due to storms.*)