



## TAMPA-HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

SouthShore Regional Library

July 25, 2024

Members Present: Phyllis Alpert (Chair), Maggie Mardirosian (Vice Chair), Liz Hawley (Secretary), Carmen Alvarez, Bob Argus, Curtis Brown, Michael Newett, Mary Kate Downing, Abigail StClair and Alicia Guy.

Member(s) Absent: Jessica Ocasio

Staff Present: Andrew Breidenbaugh, Renelda Sells, Jasmine Qronfleh, Frank Colliia, Hetalben Patel, Jonah Katz, Rebecca Hessinger.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT—None.

Staff from the County Infrastructure and Planning briefed the Library Board regarding the Bethune Park Master Plan for a large community center in Wimauma community that will feature a library. Community engagement events have been ongoing. They will bring back a more detailed presentation when the project plan is finalized.

Minutes from the June 27, 2024 meeting were approved.

The Library's Fiscal 2024 Budget report for June 2024 was reviewed along with the monthly activity summaries. Clarification was provided regarding the promotional activities budget. A Quarterly Source and Use statement was reviewed as well as the Monthly Activity Reports.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Library Board Finance Committee put out a call for more volunteers to participate on the committee.

## NEW BUSINESS

A Nominating Committee was formed in preparation for the annual officer elections. Members participating are: Carmen Alvarez, Abigail StClair and Jessica Ocasio.

Ms. StClair reported on her recent positive experience with the Library's Passport Program.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

All Library decision units were included in the County Administrator's FY25 recommended budget presented during today's Board of County Commissioner meeting.

A new District 1 Library Board member has been appointed—Ami Marie Granger Welch. Her term begins in September 2024.

Information on cost per eBook use was provided as a follow up from the May 2024 Library Board meeting.

Bill Harris, new Branch Manager at SouthShore Regional Library and Michelle Frasier, Public Service Regional Manager, were introduced.

The meeting was adjourned at 5 pm. The next regular meeting of the Public Library Board is scheduled for Thursday, August 22, 2024 at Jimmie B. Keel Regional Library.