



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Springfield City Library Board of Commissioners

Place:	Central Library Community Room
Date:	February 4, 2015
Attending:	Chairman Vera O'Connor, and Commissioners Stephen Cary, Krysta Fyntrilakis, Meghan Lunghi, Timothy Moriarty, Matthew Reilly
Absent:	Commissioner Lorna Simmons
Staff:	Molly Fogarty, Library Director John Ramsay, Assistant Library Director Carol Leaders, Business Manager Janet Stupak, Community Relations (<i>minute taker</i>)
Call to order:	Ms. O'Connor called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Agenda Item	Discussion & Decisions	Action Items
1. Approval of Minutes from the January 7, 2015 Library Commission Meeting	Commissioner Moriarty made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 7, 2015 meeting of the Springfield Library Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Reilly seconded the motion. The motion passed.	(Follow up)
2. Commission Committee Reports:	<p>Commissioner Lunghi spoke about the Springfield Library "Discovery Session" with TSM Design that she had taken part in at the Central Library, describing it as "very interesting and well run." TSM Design offered their services (free) to help rebrand the library, after looking at our current Strategic Plan and Mission Statement. TSM is analyzing the information to find our unique strengths to focus on, and not try to do too much.</p> <p>Commissioner Fyntrilakis attended the January 15 Friends of the Library (FOL) meeting and shared information from that meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Honorary co-chairs of 2015's Summer Reading Club will be Mayor Domenic Sarno and School Supt. Daniel Warwick.2. The FOL will host an evening event on April 17 during National Library Week in the Central Library Rotunda to raise money for library programs. The event will	



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include hors d'oeuvres and wine and Maria Luisa Arroyo, Springfield's first Poet Laureate, will be honored.

3. The dedication of the Forest Park Reading Garden is scheduled for June 12 & 13.

3. Chairman's Report: Ms. O'Connor had nothing to report.

4. Director's Report: Library Director Fogarty reported on:

- Her recent trip to the ALA Conference in Chicago where members of the library's Civic and Community Engagement Team led presentations about their Harwood Institute Training.
- Jeff Lambert, Supervisor at the Mason Square Branch, received a grant for 3D printers for teens' use in digital literacy projects.
- Construction and remodeling of the Pine Point building, 204 Boston Road, is moving along. A summer reopening of the Library Express is anticipated.
- On Friday Ms. Fogarty, Mr. Ramsay, Mr. Cary and City Facilities officials will tour three area libraries: Sunderland, Granby and South Hadley, to aid in the planning of the new East Forest Park Branch.
- Negotiations with both library unions are ongoing.

5. Other Business: Ms. Fyntrilakis asked about the building that is becoming the Liberty Senior Center, and previously was the Liberty Branch Library. Ms. Fogarty believes that Senior Center will open in the spring.

Mr. Reilly suggested perhaps tying the new East Forest Park Branch any available 2011-tornado funds.

Mr. Moriarty voiced concerns about the MGM Casino affecting library staffing. Also he hopes the East Forest Park Branch will have "Quiet room" for studying. Ms. Fogarty assured him it would.

Ms. Fogarty assured Mr. Cary that the Read/Write/Now program is doing fine in its



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temporary location at the Good Life Center. They will move back to their Pine Point/Boston Road location as soon as that building is ready.

6. Election of Officers: Mr. Ramsay oversaw the Election of Officers: Ms. O'Connor was elected as Chair; Mr. Moriarty was elected Vice-Chair; Ms. Lunghi was elected Secretary.

7. Executive Session: Not needed.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Meghan Lunghi, *Secretary*