



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

**Place:** Central Library Community Room

**Date:** November 5, 2014

**Attending:** Chairman Vera O'Connor, Commissioners Timothy Moriarty, Stephen Cary, Meghan Lunghi, Krysta Fyntrilakis, Matthew Reilly

**Absent:** Commissioner Lorna Simmons

**Staff:** Molly Fogarty, Library Director  
John Ramsay, Assistant Library Director  
Carol Leaders, Business Manager  
Janet Stupak, Community Relations Coordinator (*minute taker*)

**Call to order:** Ms. O'Connor called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion &amp; Decisions</b>	<b>Action Items</b>
<b>Approval of Minutes from the October 1, 2014 Library Commission Meeting</b>	Commissioner Fyntrilakis made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 1, 2014 meeting of the Springfield Library Board of Commissioners with one minor correction, remove 'Merriam Webster' from the text speaking to library card signups/National Library Week. Commissioner Cary seconded the motion. <b>The motion passed.</b>	(follow up)
<b>2. Commission Committee Reports:</b>	Commissioner Cary reported on the Library Design Workshop at the East Boston Public Library that he had attended with Director Fogarty and Assistant Director Ramsay. He said the workshop was "exciting," and meant to help "justify spaces" for an architect to work from in designing new libraries. Others attended including two Mass Board of Library Commissioners Building Consultants involved in new construction. The Public Internet and Computer Use Policy was discussed. Filters removed a couple of years ago are now being used to access pornography, therefore Commissioner Moriarty made a motion to add the warning language "to access or share sexually explicit materials" to the Computer Use Policy, with loss of computer privileges for one year for those not complying. Mr. Cary seconded the motion. <b>The motion passed.</b>	
<b>3. Chairman's Report:</b>	Ms. O'Connor reported on a problem with a Secretary of State webinar in the Central Library Computer Lab for public viewing. Ms. Fogarty resolved the issue.	



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### 4. Director's Report:

Ms. Fogarty highlighted successful October programs:

- The Fiesta events at all locations were varied, fun and popular.
- The Nonprofit Mingle (meet and greet) was a good networking event that about 45 people attended.
- The second Candidates Night was very successful. Again the Library took a leadership role.
- November is Family Literacy Month. And on Friday there will be a press conference at City Hall "Dad's Make a Difference." The Mason Square Branch will hold a monthly book club for Dads and their children.
- The Harwood Grant Team is working on Community Conversations as part of their 18-month project. This team will attend and present at ALA in January 2015.
- Springfield will again host a Library Legislative Breakfast on a Friday morning at the Central Library.
- The Library will be featured in an upcoming Library Journal Design Institutes article. Ms. Fogarty and Mr. Ramsay submitted the East Forest Park Library project and it was chosen as a "challenge" project. They met with the Library Journal staff involved.
- Today consultants for the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners State Aid Review Committee met at the Central Library to discuss the need to revamp State Aid to Public Libraries.

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### 5. East Forest Park Building Program Review- Vote Needed

Mr. Cary made a motion to approve the Library Building Program/Concepts for the East Forest Park Branch Library and Ms. Fyntrilakis provided the second. **The motion passed.**

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- 6. Other Business:** Mr. Moriarty asked about the status of the proposed parking lot between the Central Library and St. Michael's Cathedral. Ms. Fogarty stated that talk is ongoing, with nothing new to report. Leasing of the Central Library from the Springfield Museums Association runs until 2031.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

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Meghan Lunghi, *Secretary*