MINUTES
OC PUBLIC LIBRARIES – LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING OF THE FULL BOARD
THURSDAY JANUARY 27TH, 2011 – 4:00 P.M.

Tustin Library – Community Room
345 E. Main St., Tustin, CA 92780

MEMBERS PRESENT

OCPL – CITY REPRESENTATIVES
Roy Moore (Brea), Wendy Leece (Costa Mesa), Lara Anderson (Dana Point; LAB Vice-Chair), Mark McCurdy (Fountain Valley), Steven Choi (Irvine), Rose Espinoza (La Habra; LAB Secretary), Henry Charoen (La Palma), Barbara Kogerman (Laguna Hills), Milt Robbins (Laguna Woods), Kathryn McCullough (Lake Forest), Lori Donchak (San Clemente), Laura Freese (San Juan Capistrano), Ed Royce, Sr. (Stanton), Bob Fauteux (Villa Park), Frank Fry (Westminster).

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPRESENTATIVES
Supervisor Bill Campbell—OC Board of Supervisors, 3rd District

COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES
Steve Franks - Director, OC Community Resources; Helen Fried – County Librarian; Paula Bruce – Asst. County Librarian, OCPL; Andrea Cowell, Budget & Fiscal Services, OCPL; Nicole Nguyen, Manager, Finance & Business Services, OCPL; Jim Martin/ OCCR/OCPL Finance; Mercedes McCarthy, Senior Librarian, OCPL.

GUESTS
Christopher McCullough, Lake Forest; Gina Park—Assistant to City Manager, Irvine; Whitney Secor—Policy Advisor—OC Board of Supervisors, 3rd District; Cathy Whitney—President, Friends of the Fountain Valley Library.

MEMBERS NOT ATTENDING
Greg Ficke (Aliso Viejo, LAB Chair), Andrew Do (Garden Grove), Jane Egly (Laguna Beach), Gary Capata (Laguna Niguel), Marilyn Poe (Los Alamitos), Gary Thompson (Rancho Santa Margarita), Gordon Shanks (Seal Beach), Beckie Gomez (Tustin), Supervisor Patricia Bates – OC Board of Supervisors, Fifth District; Tim Casey (Ex Officio, City Managers’ Association).

CALL TO ORDER
In the absence of Chair Greg Ficke, Vice Chair Lara Anderson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by County Librarian Helen Fried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 13TH, 2010 MEETING
It was moved to approve the minutes of the May 13th, 2010 LAB meeting; the motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item A: 2011 Election of Officers and Committee Selections
Milt Robbins nominated Lara Anderson for Chair; the nomination was second and passed. Lara Anderson nominated Rose Espinoza for Vice Chair; the nomination was seconded and passed. Kathryn McCullough nominated Laura Freese as Secretary; the nomination was second and passed.

Agenda Item B: Approval of Proposed Meeting Schedule
It was moved to approve the schedule; motion was seconded and passed.

Agenda Item C: Update on Ad Hoc Allocation Formula Task Force
Helen Fried and Steve Franks described the background and purpose of the Task Force. Four members of the Task Force are no longer serving as LAB representatives, leaving just four members: Sup. Campbell, Wendy Leece, Steven Choi and Milt Robbins.

Agenda Item D: Update on the City Managers Subcommittee
In 2010, the Task Force formed a City Managers Subcommittee to review the Davis Report and report back to the Task Force. The next Subcommittee meeting will take place in a few weeks. Supervisor Campbell suggested that a workshop for LAB members be held on the Davis Report. Lara Anderson suggested that a meeting on the allocation formula should be held with the City Managers present, including a review of worst-case scenarios.

Agenda Item E: Budget Update (State Budget Impacts & County Forecast)
Helen Fried presented the library’s budget situation. The Governor’s proposed budget eliminates all library funding. Losses to OCPL are: $550,000.00 from the Public Library Fund, and $110,000 from the Literacy Fund. The OCPL budget was conservatively planned in anticipation of the loss of PLF funds; county staff will absorb the work that would have been done by contract literacy workers paid for by Literacy Fund money. Other state cuts that will affect us are LSTA grants and Infopeople (professional training).

Agenda Item F: Homeless Issues at Libraries
Wendy Leece described the effects of the homeless population congregating in and around the Costa Mesa libraries. The City of Costa Mesa has formed a task force on the issue. Guest Cathy Whitney commented on the Fountain Valley Library’s handling of homeless patrons.

BOARD COMMENTS
A discussion was held regarding the possibility of creating foundations for OCPL branches. It was suggested that existing community foundations could be used to raise library funds.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT:
The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.