MEMBERS PRESENT
OCPL – CITY REPRESENTATIVES
William Phillips (Aliso Viejo), Stacy Berry (Cypress), Carlos N. Olvera (Dana Point), Mark McCurdy (Fountain Valley), Chris Phan (Garden Grove), Steven Choi (Irvine), Michael Blazey (La Habra), Michele Steggell (La Palma), Elaine Gennaiwy (Laguna Niguel), Shari L. Horne (Laguna Woods), Carol Moore (Laguna Woods, alternate), Jim Gardner (Lake Forest), Shelley Hasselbrink (Los Alamitos), Sam Allevato (San Juan Capistrano), Mike Varipapa (Seal Beach), Rigoberto Ramirez (Stanton), Beckie Gomez, (Tustin), Diana Carey (Westminster).

OTHER ATTENDEES
COUNTY STAFF ATTENDING
Steve Franks (Director, OC Community Resources), Helen Fried (County Librarian), Connie Chang (Budget Director, OC Community Resources), Sherry Toth (Programming, OCPL), Andrea Cowell (Budget & Fiscal, OCCR/OCPL), Mercedes McCarthy (Asst. to the County Librarian, OCPL), Kim Banks (Teen Librarian, Garden Grove Regional Library), Tina McMullen (Teen Librarian, Aliso Viejo Library), Martin Gardner (Policy Advisor, Office Of Sup. Spitzer, 3rd District).

GUESTS
Three unidentified guests.

MEMBERS NOT ATTENDING
OCPL – CITY REPRESENTATIVES
Christine Marick (Brea), Jim Righeimer (Costa Mesa), Steve Dicterow (Laguna Beach), Andrew Blount (Laguna Hills), Michael Vaughn (Rancho Santa Margarita), Lori Donchak (San Clemente), Bill Nelson (Villa Park).

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPRESENTATIVES
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Ben Siegel (City Managers’ Association).
I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Last year’s Chair Beckie Gomez called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance, and introduced the new members.

Announcements:

A. Literary Orange – Programs Coordinator Sherry Toth announced the keynote speakers and other details of the 2015 Literary Orange Festival planned for April.

B. Branch Updates – County Librarian Helen Fried described changes at the following branches:
   - Garden Grove West – the name will be changed to Tibor Rubin Library.
   - Silverado – plans are in progress to move the library to the former Silverado school site in partnership with OC Parks.
   - Costa Mesa – the Community Center will be remodeled to house the library. Architect Johnson Favaro has been chosen.
   - San Clemente – the remodeled library may reopen on June 29th. A temporary “Mobile Hub” will provide interim library services.

C. Members were directed to a display of posters highlighting branch accomplishments in 2014.

D. Teen Librarians Kim Banks (Garden Grove Library) and Tina McMullen (Aliso Viejo Library) presented the “Mobile Media Lab-rary,” grant-purchased equipment including laptops, iPads, a 3-D printer, cameras, media software and secure transportation carts.

E. In response to concerns about communicable diseases, members were assured that library public computer stations and keyboards are regularly cleaned.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF October 2, 2014 MEETING

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2014 LAB meeting. The motion was passed by a majority of the members, with the following members abstaining: Stacy Berry, Michele Steggell, Elaine Gennawey, Shari L. Horne, Jim Gardner, Shelley Hasselbrink, Sam Allevato, Mike Varipapa.

III. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of new officers and committee appointments. Chair Gomez opened the floor to nominations for new officers.

   It was moved, seconded and unanimously approved to re-elect Beckie Gomez as Chair.
   It was moved, seconded and unanimously approved to elect Elaine Gennawey as Vice Chair.

   It was moved, seconded and unanimously approved to elect Stacy Berry as Secretary.

   The floor was opened to nominations for six members of the Executive committee. The following members were unanimously approved: Carlos N. Olvera, Sam Allevato, Bill Phillips, Shari L. Horne, Diana Carey, Chris Phan.

   Chair Gomez directed members who wished to volunteer for the two standing Committees (Finance & Revenue and Services & Operations) to return the provided ballot form to Mercedes McCarthy after the meeting or within the next week.

B. Approval of remaining 2015 meeting dates. There were no objections voiced to the proposed dates of April 2nd (Finance & Revenue Committee meeting), May 7th (full LAB meeting) and October 29th (full LAB meeting).
C. Overview of Budget. County Librarian Helen Fried gave a presentation on the county library’s operating budget, revenue sources and branch allocation formula, and answered questions from the members.

IV. BOARD COMMENTS
Council Member Choi mentioned that on February 10th he will be presenting an agenda item at the Irvine City Council meeting regarding the proposed Metropolitan Great Library and the cultural elements that will go into it. He is encouraging supporters of the proposed library to attend.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS
A patron [name inaudible] made an appeal to OC Public Libraries to provide videogames as circulating items, citing some figures on videogame circulation at other libraries and the presence of the videogame industry in southern California. Mrs. Fried she would meet with him to discuss it.

VII. ADJOURNMENT
It was moved, seconded and approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.