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OC PUBLIC LIBRARIES – LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING OF THE FULL BOARD
THURSDAY JANUARY 30TH, 2014 4:00 P.M.

Tustin Library – Professional Training Room
345 E. Main Street
Tustin, CA 92780

MEMBERS PRESENT

OCPL – CITY REPRESENTATIVES

William Phillips (Aliso Viejo), Christine Marick (Brea), Mariellen Yarc (Cypress), Carlos Olvera (Dana Point, alternate), Mark McCurdy (Fountain Valley), Steven Choi (Irvine), Tom Beamish, Secretary (La Habra), Steve Shanahan (La Palma), Laurie Davies (Laguna Niguel), Kathryn McCullough (Lake Forest), Brad McGirr (Rancho Santa Margarita), Lori Donchak (San Clemente), Roy Byrnes (San Juan Capistrano), Ellery Deaton (Seal Beach), Rigoberto Ramirez (Stanton), Beckie Gomez, Chair (Tustin), Diana Carey (Westminster).

OTHER ATTENDEES

COUNTY STAFF ATTENDING

Helen Fried (County Librarian), Steve Franks (Director, OC Community Resources), Andrea Cowell (Budget & Fiscal Services, OCCR/OCPL), Mercedes McCarthy (Asst. to the County Librarian, OCPL), Martin Gardner (Policy Advisor, Office Of Sup. Spitzer, 3rd District).

GUESTS

Christopher McCullough; Melissa Au-Yeung, Senior Management Analyst, City of Laguna Hills.

MEMBERS NOT ATTENDING

OCPL – CITY REPRESENTATIVES

Wendy Leece (Costa Mesa), Steve Jones (Garden Grove), Steve Dicterow (Laguna Beach), Andrew Blount (Laguna Hills), Lynne Dvorak (Laguna Woods), Richard Murphy (Los Alamitos), Greg Mills (Villa Park)

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPRESENTATIVES

Supervisor Todd Spitzer (OC Board of Supervisors, 3rd District), Supervisor Patricia Bates (OC Board of Supervisors, 5th District).

EX OFICIO REPRESENTATIVE

Ben Siegel (City Managers' Association).



I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Beckie Gomez called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF May 9th, 2013 MEETING

It was noted that the May 9th, 2013 meeting minutes be corrected to show that the vote to change the meeting quorum requirement in the Bylaws was not a valid vote due to failing to meet the 2/3 members quorum needed to change the bylaws. It was moved (Yarc) and seconded (McCullough) to approve the minutes of the May 9th, 2013 LAB meeting with the noted corrections; the motion was approved, with members William Brough, Steven Choi, Ellery Deaton, and Carlos Olvera abstaining.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Bylaws amendment for quorum limit

Chair Gomez explained that the LAB Executive Committee just met to discuss the quorum change. The Committee has approved a motion to recommend that the LAB take two actions:

(a) Ask the Board of Supervisors to change the LAB Bylaws section 5.1 (which states that a 2/3 majority of the full LAB is required to approve changes in the Bylaws) to allow a simple majority (50% plus 1) of the LAB to approve changes in the Bylaws (this will then allow the LAB to change the Bylaws to reduce the meeting quorum.)

(b) Form an ad hoc subcommittee, consisting of Mariellen Yarc, Chair Gomez, and Steve Shanahan, to review the LAB Bylaws.

Chair Gomez opened the floor to questions and discussion of the first recommended action. It was moved and seconded to approve a request to the Board of Supervisors to change the LAB Bylaws quorum limit for Bylaws changes; the motion passed with no abstentions.

Chair Gomez then opened the floor to questions and discussion of the seconded recommended action. It was moved (Davies) and seconded (Beamish) to appoint three members, Mariellen Yarc, Steve Shanahan and Beckie Gomez, to a Bylaws Review Task Force; the motion passed with no abstentions.

Kathryn McCullough then suggested that the Bylaws Review Task Force be opened to two more at large members. Laurie Davies moved to amend the previous motion to enlarge the Task Force to two more places. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Election of new Vice Chair

The office of Vice Chair is now vacant since the member is now an alternate member this year. Chair Gomez opened the floor to nominations. Brad McGirr nominated Mariellen Yarc; the nomination was seconded by Kathryn McCullough and passed unanimously.

B. RFID Project

County Librarian Helen Fried gave a brief update on the progress of the RFID project.

C. OPT-E-MAN

Helen Fried gave an updated on this program; most branches now have this upgraded fiber optic system, except for Laguna Beach and Westminster which still need infrastructure improvements.

D. Budget update

OCPL/OCCR Budget Manager Andrea Cowell gave an update on the preparation of the FY 14-15 budget. The proposed budget will be presented at the April 3rd meeting of the Executive and Finance Committee.

E. Proposed dates for 2014 meetings

Chair Gomez requested that the members calendar the proposed dates: May 1st and Oct 2nd for the full LAB meetings, and April 3rd for the Executive and Finance Committee meeting.

Kathryn McCullough mentioned that the May 1st LAB meeting date will conflict with the SCAG meeting on that day. Chair Gomez opened the floor to a motion to change the date. It was moved

(McCullough) and seconded (Beamish) to move the May meeting date from the 1st to the 8th; the motion passed unanimously.

V. BOARD COMMENTS

Mayor Choi of Irvine invited members to attend the Irvine Korean Cultural Festival on May 17th. A donation of 5000 Korean language books is being made to OC Public Libraries.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

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

Minutes prepared by Mercedes McCarthy on 02/13/2014
Reviewed by Helen Fried, County Librarian on 02/14/14
Approved at the Library Advisory Board Meeting on 05/08/2014