

Santa Barbara Public Library System
Library Board

Minutes of the Meeting of February 11, 2010 held at Central Library

TRUSTEES PRESENT:	Catherine Radecki-Bush; Christine Roberts; Eric Friedman; Dorothy Brilliant
TRUSTEES ABSENT:	None
COUNCIL LIAISON PRESENT:	Councilmember Dale Francisco
STAFF PRESENT:	Irene Macias, Library Director
CALL TO ORDER:	The meeting was brought to order in the Faulkner East Gallery at 3:00 p.m. on January 14, 2010.
CHANGES TO AGENDA:	None
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:	The minutes were approved as submitted.
PUBLIC COMMENTS:	None
ANNOUNCEMENTS:	None

Library Plaza Project

A committee of City staff, including Library representatives and stakeholders has been formed. The committee will be involved in the design development process. Looking at preliminary designs now; the project is expected to be completed in 2013. Eric Friedman will serve on the committee as a stakeholder. Director Macias will draft a letter to the RDA board to include Boards comments and desired features, outcomes for this project.

Special Evening Budget Meeting

Director Macias presented an on-line version of a patron survey done by the Library. The survey covers topics she feels includes the Board desires to explore in the public meeting. The Board discussed the format of the meeting and what outcomes they expected. Director Macias was concerned about raising expectations during a time when the economic situation precludes adding new services or enhancing current ones. It was agreed that the goals of the meeting are:

- to review survey results
- provide data for the City Council by gathering additional public comment
- allow the public to express their priorities with respect to library

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Budget Update

Library Department has submitted its proposed budget to City Administrator Jim Armstrong. Library managers will meet with him on February 26 to review the budget and the options to the library developed for making adjustments. The City Administrator's Recommended Budget will be released in April and public hearings will begin shortly after that. Director Macias suggested that the board may want to move the Special Board meeting to April.

Activities

No Update

Staff Update

No Update

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, March 11th at the Santa Barbara Public Library.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Gloria George