



Measure B Citizens Review Panel

Minutes

May 13, 2015

Members Present: Bob Speechly, Debbie Ikeda, Jim Poptanich, Fitzgerald Kelly.
Staff Present: Laurel Prysiazny and Carina Gil.
Regrets: Shelly Orth, Judith Preuss, Mary Leal.

- 1) **Call to order:** Bob Speechly called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.
- 2) **Introductions:** None.
- 3) **Adoption of Agenda:** Adopted, but due to lack of quorum was not formally voted to approve.
- 4) **Approval of January 21, 2015 Minutes.** Minutes reviewed. No changes noted, however due to lack of quorum was not formally voted to approve.
- 5) **County Librarian – Laurel Prysiazny**
 - a) Laurel gave update on facilities.
 - Status of new Cedar Shields building, to be named after Betty Rodriguez who was an avid library supporter and active member of the Friends.
 - Clovis Board Agenda item to approve selection of site slated for June 2, 2015.
 - The City of Reedley has identified property adjacent to City Hall which they would like to gift to the Library for a new facility. The Reedley Chapter FOL wants to donate funds to assist with clearing the land of existing buildings to have it ready for new construction. The agenda item for this will go to the Board of Supervisors July 14, 2015,
 - The Library is renegotiating its lease for the Sunnyside Library and has an opportunity to expand the facility and move the FOL to a new space that is twice as large as is present.
 - b) Laurel discussed the Our Lives documentary featuring people who live on the streets of Fresno. This was done by a staff member as part of their Eureka! Leadership program offered by the CA State Library.
 - c) Mentioned the upcoming Library Foundation Gala and hoped all on the panel would consider attending.
 - d) Laurel mentioned she is working on getting more members for Panel as there are four vacancies.
- 6) **Coalinga Librarian - Mary Leal. No update.**
- 7) **Budget – Carina Gil**
 - a) Discussed Measure B proposed budget for FY 2015-16.
 - b) Reviewed budgeted vs. actual monthly sales tax proceeds for FCPL.
- 8) **New Business:**
 1. Bob asked that a list of the Library's trust fund accounts be brought to the next meeting.
 2. Jim raised the State Librarian's message forwarded by Laurel that day to staff regarding the SRP campaign to have 1 million kids registered this year. Jim wanted to know what was expected of FOLs since the State Librarian had no specifics listed. Jim called the State Library for clarification. In a subsequent e-mail from the State, they recommended the FOLs work with the libraries directly for ideas and support.
 3. Jim felt the Library should have done something for Volunteer Recognition even if it meant just serving tea and cookies and having the FOLs pay for it. Laurel pointed out that it was awkward to ask the very people you are honoring to pay for the food.
- 9) **Planning for next meeting:**
 - **Date:** *September 16*
 - **Location:** *Central*
 - **Time:** *6:00 PM*
- 10) **Adjourn:** 7:00 PM.