

Renton Library Advisory Board



Meeting Minutes City Hall, Council Conference Room February 19, 2014 ~ 5:30 p.m.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** Chair Lynne King called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

In Attendance

Members: Laurie Beden, Lynne King, Erica Richey, Suzi Ure
City Staff: Terry Higashiyama, Peter Renner, Diane Wagner
KCLS Staff: Judith Zelter

Absent

Members: Catherine Ploue-Smith

II. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Suzi Ure, seconded by Erica Richey, to approve the February agenda. All were in favor, motion carried, agenda approved as written.

III. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Laurie Beden made a motion to approve January 2014 minutes, Erica Richey seconded. All were in favor, motion carried, minutes approved as written.

IV. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

V. **BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

Boards and Commission Training was briefly discussed by Lynne. Lynne and Suzi both attended and commented about the good information and said they learned a lot.

The farewell party for Bill Ptacek, departing King County Library Systems Director, was held on January 31 and the Board had good representation. Mr. Ptacek has been named CEO of the Calgary Public Library in Alberta, Canada. The Board said it was a lovely event and Bill mentioned he would like to be invited to the Renton Highlands and Downtown library openings. Julie Brand, Director of Community Relations & Marketing, has been appointed to serve as Interim Director.

VI. **CITY REPORT / Terry Higashiyama, Peter Renner**

Peter Renner commented on the Hearing Examiners review of the Renton Highlands Library. The hearing was held yesterday, Tuesday February 18, 2014. He said there were four areas where they are seeking variations from code and included, but are not limited to, the number of parking spaces in the structure and structure parking. Peter also said there were no comments received.

The group discussed the 2013 goal and celebrated accomplishments, some listed below:

CELEBRATE 2013

- Settlement of location – moving forward
- Skills and abilities of Architects
- KCLS support from the top leadership down to Renton Council
- Community Connections: Meadow Crest, Shelter Opening, Kennydale HOA, Museum
- RSC Connection
- KCLS Forum
- Community Connect
- Judith ~ welcome to the Board
- KCLS Program awareness and presentations
- Learning about permitting and codes
- Overall City Operations: depth & breadth
- Citizen Academy

2014 GOALS

- Centennial celebration
- Neighborhood picnic participation
- Marketing Campaign - *New* Libraries
- Meeting with Friends of Renton Libraries
- Expanding collaborations with RSD
- Center of Hope Continued
- Legislative Day participation
- PNW – inventory, sort, inform
- RRD and other special events
- New Library Progress Support & Celebration

VII. KCLS REPORT/JUDITH ZETLER

Peter commented that he, Greg Smith and Judith toured the first and third floors of the 200 Mill Building for a temporary location for the downtown library while it's closed for construction. She said the third floor flowed better than the first floor but she had some concerns. Peter said they are still discussing the options and layouts.

The Board scheduled a tour the 200 Mill spaces tentative after the March meeting.

Judith said they are planning a centennial celebration for the downtown library on Sunday, May 4, 2014, and said there will be memorabilia and pictures on display, historical stations, punch and cookies, and they are trying to schedule a speaker. Sunday hours at the Library are from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm with the celebration focused from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The

Friends of Renton Library Book Sale will also be held that weekend, Friday thru Sunday, May 2 thru May 4.

Judith briefly discussed the current management openings and the progress of selections and interviews.

Judith also provided statistical handouts for review.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

IX. NEW BUSINESS – Lynne King

Lynne and Judith will work on the annual report to Council. The presentation is tentatively scheduled for Monday, March 24, 2014.

X. INFORMATION

Lynne talked about Library Legislative Day and encouraged the Board members to attend when they have the opportunity. She found it very informative and useful.

Terry talked about the Pacific Northwest Collection and the transfer to the City and said there are volunteers to process the collection. The Board would like to be involved in recommendations on disseminating the information to the public; how and what is available.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Erica Richey and seconded by Suzi Ure to adjourn the February meeting. All were in favor, motion carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Signature

NEXT REGULAR MEETINGS

MARCH MEETING

Wednesday, March 19, 2014

Renton City Hall

Seventh Floor, Council Conference Room ~ Telephone 425.430.6574



APRIL MEETING

Wednesday, April 16, 2014, 5:30 p.m.

Renton City Hall

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