

YONKERS PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING
RIVERFRONT LIBRARY
May 26, 2016

ATTENDANCE

TRUSTEES:	Nancy Maron Derrick Touba Jim Buckley Gregory Arcaro
LIBRARY DIRECTOR:	Edward Falcone
DEPUTY DIRECTOR:	Susan Thaler
BUSINESS MANAGER:	Barbara Quis
ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY:	Sarah McAllister
YONKERS REPRESENTATIVE ON THE WLS BOARD OF TRUSTEES:	None
UNION REPRESENTATIVE:	Rose Bannister, Clerk III, Business Office, Riverfront Library

The Board meeting began at 7:47 p.m.

MINUTES

On motion of Tr. Touba, seconded and carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the Board Meeting of April 21, 2016.

DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR MANAGEMENT REPORT

Director Falcone told Board members that he was very proud and appreciative of the YPL staff in connection with the May 4th Tech Central grand opening and Gala. He recognized Tr. Maron's initiation of the events and expressed appreciation for all her efforts in seeing them through to their successful fruition. Director Falcone said the events were enjoyed by all.

Director Falcone is in the process of scheduling a meeting with Sara Dirsra of KG&D to finalize the construction documents for the Grinton I. Will Branch façade project and also to discuss scheduling a public meeting. The plans should be ready by mid-June.

Director Falcone informed the Board members that Christian Zabriskie will be the new Branch Administrator at Grinton I. Will Branch beginning June 7th and that Sandy Amoyaw will be the Branch Administrator at Riverfront Library beginning June 8th.

A strategic planning meeting was held on May 10th to review survey results, focus groups and town hall meetings. The next scheduled meeting will be held on June 8th at the Grinton I. Will Branch from 3-6 p.m. to begin writing the long-range planning document.

On May 16th Director Falcone, Deputy Director Thaler, Business Manager Quis, Tr. Maron and Tr. Touba attended the budget hearings at Saunders where the Library made its annual presentation. Both the operating and capital budgets must be passed by June 1, 2016.

The modern art sculpture Area 51 was installed on the grounds of the Grinton I. Will Branch on Friday, April 29th. The sculpture is on a long-term loan from the Hudson River Museum. Director Falcone and the Board members agreed that there will be a future discussion regarding a formal Area 51 dedication.

Deputy Director Thaler told Board members that since Tech Central opened 250 people have attended different sessions there. Tr. Buckley suggested placing a Tech Central information tab on the website. Deputy Director Thaler advised Board members that Tech Central staff training sessions are being discussed and more school outreach will be done to stimulate attendance at Tech Central.

Tr. Touba arrived at 7:40 p.m.

UNION REPRESENTATIVE’S REPORT - Union Representative Rose Bannister had nothing to report.

WLS REPORT – None

PERSONNEL REPORT

On motion of Tr. Buckley, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board ratified the following appointment:

Michael Walsh, Librarian I F/T, \$51,873/yr., effective 5/20/16

The Board acknowledged the following terminations:

- Carol Apicella, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Cheryl Amoyaw, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Modia Alexandre, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Bryam Avila-Yanez, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Imani Edwards, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Karina Familia-Cueto, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Alexandra Gaete, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Kleiver Gomez, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Eviers Innocent, P/T Page, \$9.00/hr., effective 4/16/16
- John Nieuwsma, P/T Page, \$9.00/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Beata Osypka, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Samuel Owusu-Ansah, P/T Page, \$9.00/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Razia Popal, P/T Page, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Taylor Simpson, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Diane Tortorello, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Jazmine Vilorio, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Emily White, P/T Page, \$9.00/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Nicole Smith, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Nicole Phillips, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Stephen Lopez, P/T Page, \$10.50/hr., effective 4/16/16
- Marissa Richardson/Librarian I, \$53,478/yr., effective 5/16/16

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance, Budget & Planning: Maron, Arcaro, Jannetti

On motion of Tr. Touba, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved rolling over the following certificate:

5/20/16 Contributions Fund, 12 mo. CD, Trustco Bank, \$25,503.33,
1.00%

Employee Relations: Maron, Buckley

Buildings & Grounds: Maron, Touba, Buckley

Tr. Touba asked about the much needed updating of the Grinton I. Will Branch auditorium. A discussion among Board members ensued.

Fundraising & Development: Maron, Arcaro, Jannetti

PAYMENT OF BILLS

On motion of Tr. Buckley, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved payment of bills as listed on Schedule #768.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

On motion of Tr. Touba, seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved the WLS Free Direct Access Plan.

Tr. Maron announced to the Board members that the Yonkers Public Schools Board of Education appointed The Hon. Hal B. Greenwald and Ms. Anietra Guzman-Santana to serve as Trustees for the Yonkers Public Library Board.

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE - Monday, June 20, 2016, 7:00 p.m., Grinton I. Will Branch.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Edward Falcone
Library Director & Secretary