

DURHAM COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Monday, August 25, 2014 6-8 p.m.

Main – 300 N. Roxboro Street

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Ms. Tench called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Present: Sandra Chambers, Crystal Dreisbach, Joe Hewitt, Rosemarie Kitchin, Shawn Miller, Joyce Sykes—
Trustees

Tammy Baggett—Director; Kathy Makens; Gina Rozier, Anita Robinson - Staff

Absent: Tamara Bynum, Henry Felder, Wendy Jacobs, Eve Marion

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve May minutes: Ms. Kitchin. Second: Ms. Chambers. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion to approve July minutes: Ms. Dreisbach. Second: Mr. Miller. The motion passed unanimously

II. REPORTS FROM LIBRARY STAFF

a. Library Director's Report (T. Baggett)

The Administrative Council is now known as Executive Leadership Team. The team consists of Tammy Baggett, Director of Libraries; Terry Hill, Deputy Director; Sandra Lovely, Assistant Director of Facilities & Planning; Kathy Makens, Resources & Finance Officer; Gina Rozier, Marketing & Development Manager; and Vacant Community Engagement Administrator.

Additionally, in an effort to enhance communication between staff and administration, all committee chairs will be invited to quarterly meetings with the Director of Libraries and members of the Executive Leadership Team beginning in September. This includes the Art Committee. Alice Sharpe will participate as the staff liaison.

Executive Leadership Team meetings will be held at various locations over the next several months.

Summer Reading

- Durham County Summer Reading Program: Fizz Boom Read!
 - 5,216 Children
 - 886 Teens
 - 952 Adults
 - 7,054 in the Durham County Community
 - Over 2,118,432 points earned and 1,053 book reviews submitted
- Summer Reading Finale attendance was 1,200

We were pleased to welcome ULC President and CEO Susan Benton on Monday, August 11, 2014 to Durham County Library. Ms. Benton presented their Innovator of the Year Award to the library at the BOCC meeting for the First Library in Space. The meeting was held at the Commissioners Chambers, Monday August 11 at 7:00 p.m. On Tuesday, August 12 Ms. Benton spoke on “The Future of Libraries”. The session was held at Main Auditorium followed by questions and answers.

Please be mindful of attendance for the Board of Trustees meetings to assure quorum is met.

RFP’s have been submitted to the Engineering Department for the renovation of Main Library. A committee of engineering and library staff is being formed to discuss architectural selection.

An innovative literacy link has been created by Tanika Martin at North Regional Library. The outdoor trail promotes literacy with a Dr. Seuss theme. Props range from pots and pans, tree stumps, math components, and a stage for performances.

Kathy Makens, Resources and Finance Officer was introduced to the board. Ms. Makens provided a 3D printer overview. The current 3D printer is set up in the Main library computer programming room and is available through structured programming. In the future usage may be available through appointments as well as maker spacers being placed in other locations.

b. Marketing & Development Manager (G. Rozier)

Durham Reads Together is sponsoring Durham Reads Together March Book One with Congressman John Lewis on Saturday, October 4, 2014 9:00 a.m. at Main Library. The weekend events are as follows:

Saturday, October 4, 2014

9:00 a.m. -10:30 a.m.

Durham Marches Together
Main Library

Saturday, October 4, 2014

2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Durham Reads Together Kickoff
B.N. Duke Auditorium
North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC

Saturday, October 4, 2014

7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Dessert Reception with Congressman John Lewis
Library Foundation Fundraiser \$75.00 per person
Hill House, Durham, NC

Sunday, October 5, 2014

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Congressman John Lewis in Conversation with Frank Stasio
Hayti Heritage Center, Durham, NC

For more information, please visit DurhamReadsTogether.org

Tommy the Moose has been at big hit with the kids at North Regional. Kids are able to check out Tommy and take pictures with him as they travel. The webmaster has created a webpage for Tommy to showcase all of his interactions and travels.

Digging Durham also has generated a webpage where patrons are able to share their stories. Please visit DiggingDurham.org.

It's time to submit book reviews for Seasons Reading! Staff submit reviews from books and musical CDs they have read or listened to. The Seasons Reading publication is sponsored and paid for by the Friends. It is the library's most popular publication. Board members are invited to submit reviews. The deadline to submit reviews is Thursday, September 25.

Yarn Bombing with Linette Knight will be held at Main on Thursday, August 28 7:00 p.m.

A memorial event will be held for Selena Warren Wheeler. More information will be forthcoming.

c. Library Health Report (K. Makens)

Ebook circulation has tripled, however overall circulation is headed down. Online circulation has increased therefore balancing out. Revenue has been increasing as well.

III. REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

a. Advocacy Committee (C. Dreisbach)

The Advocacy Committee, consisting of Ms. Bynum and Ms. Dreisbach, is putting all of its energy into serving on a planning committee for Durham's 1st annual Read Local Book Festival which will take place on Sunday, May 17th, 2015 at the Durham Central Park Pavilion. Other peripheral events such as author dinners and workshops will take place the day before – on Saturday, May 16th, 2015. The 15-person planning committee meets on the third Thursday of each month at the Main Library and consists of representatives of the Durham County Library, local authors, local book publishers, local book sellers and other groups in the community such as Indy Weekly and Hayti Heritage Center. The committee met for the third time last week. We currently have an event mission statement and tagline, a rough draft of event programming, a website under construction, and a planning timeline. The launch of the website (www.readlocalnc.org) is slated for October 1st, and it will include information about the event, as well as newsletter signup, volunteer signup and participant registration.

b. Nominating Committee (B. Tench/R. Kitchin)

The Nominating Committee presented the nominating slate for officers. The officers for the 2014-2015 year are as follows: Henry Felder- Chair; Shawn Miller – Co-Chair; and Rosemarie Kitchin unofficial Secretary.

Motion to accept new officers: Ms. Sykes. Second: Ms. Chambers.

IV. SPECIAL REPORTS

a. Durham Library Foundation Liaison Report (T. Baggett)

Bessie Carrington and Steve Pike will be leaving the Foundation Board. They have served us well and we wish them the best.

b. Friends of the Durham Library Report (E. Marion/T.Baggett)

The Friends have allotted \$17,500 to award for projects this year. Library staff is invited to submit proposals for the fall funding cycle.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Old business was not discussed at this time.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

New business was not discussed at this time.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Next Scheduled Meetings:

Thursday, September 18, 2014 Southwest Regional Library, 3605 Shannon Road

Thursday, November 20, 2014 South Regional Library, 4505 S. Alston Avenue

Ms. Tench asked for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Chambers made a motion and Mr. Miller seconded. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.