

**MINUTES**  
**BERKELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING**  
**Wednesday, January 14, 2015, 5:30 P.M.**

SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY – 1901 RUSSELL STREET

Board of Library Trustees:

Chair Abigail Franklin	Winston Burton
Vice Chair Julie Holcomb	Darryl Moore
	Jim Novosel

**I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

*A copy of the agenda packet and a digital recording of the meeting is accessible at <http://www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org/about/board-library-trustees>*

**A. Call to Order: 5:30 P.M.**

Present: Trustees Burton, Franklin, Holcomb, Moore and Novosel.

Absent: None

Also Present: Jeff Scott, Director of Library Services; Suzanne Olawski, Deputy Director of Library Services; Andrea Mullarkey, Teen Librarian; Eve Franklin, Administrative Secretary.

Kathy Huff and Trish Hawthorne or Berkeley Public Library Foundation

**B. Public Comments:**

1. Charles Austin – Identified as a South Branch Library neighbor involved with a committee asking to rename South Branch in honor of Tarea Pittman. Will probably come to BOLT with request in March.
2. Will Phillips – advocated for renaming the South Berkeley Library in honor of Tarea Pittman

**C. Report from library employees and unions, discussion of staff issues:**

1. Andrea Mullarkey, SEIU 1021 Shop Steward – relayed staff kudos to Jeff Scott on communication style and accessibility. Reported staff concerns on weeding project

**D. Report from Board of Library Trustees:**

1. Trustee Novosel – asked if Teen room was always as crowded as it is tonight.
2. Trustee Moore – Looking forward to attending the ALA Midwinter Conference in Chicago at the end of the month.
3. Trustee Burton – asked for a list of ALA events.

**II. PRESENTATIONS CALENDAR**

**A. Annual Report to City Council**

Jeff Scott, Director provided a presentation. (Attachment 1.)

Board discussion followed.

### III. CONSENT CALENDAR

M/S/C Trustee Holcomb / Trustee Burton to adopt Resolution # R14-079 approving the Consent Calendar as presented.

Vote: Ayes: Trustees Burton, Franklin, Holcomb and Novosel. Noes: None. Absent: None.

Abstentions: Trustee Moore.

#### A. Approve minutes of December 10, 2014 Regular Meeting

From: Director of Library Services

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2014 Regular Meeting as presented.

Financial Implications: None.

Contact: Jeff Scott, Director of Library Services

Action: Adopted Resolution # R14-080

### IV. INFORMATION REPORTS

#### A. January 2015 Monthly Report from Library Director

Trish Hawthorne, President of the Berkeley Public Library Foundation introduced new Executive Director Kathy Huff.

From: Director of Library Services

Contact: Jeff Scott, Library Director

Action: Received.

#### B. Library events

From: Director of Library Services

Contact: Jeff Scott, Library Director

Action: None.

### V. AGENDA BUILDING

The next meeting will be a Regular Meeting held at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, February 11, 2105 at the South Branch Library, 1901 Russell Street, Berkeley.

Future agenda items:

- Lending E-Readers
- Branch and Department Presentations
- Tool Lending Library Hours
- Strategic Plan Update

### VI. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 6:25 P.M in memory of Alba Witkin.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of January 14, 2015 as approved by the Board of Library Trustees

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Jeff Scott, Director of Library Services, acting as secretary to BOLT

**COMMUNICATIONS:** none

**SUPPLEMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS:**

1. Presentation to City Council