

Minutes  
**SAN BERNARDINO PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**Board of Trustees**  
**April 13, 2006**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the San Bernardino Public Library was held in the Board Room of the Norman F. Feldheim Central Library, 555 West Sixth Street, San Bernardino

**Call to order:**

The meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by President Dr. Garcia at 2:07 p.m.

**Roll call:**

Present: Dr. Dorothy Garcia, President  
Gary Saenz, Vice President  
Marion Vassilakos, Secretary  
Dr. Milton Clark, Member  
Carolyn Tillman, Member

Ophelia Georgiev Roop, Library Director

**Public:**

Ed Keller, Foundation Board founding member, former Foundation Board president and former member of the Library Board of Trustees had been invited by the Library Board to address the revitalization of the Library Foundation.

**Minutes:**

The minutes of the March 9, 2006 meeting were approved with corrections: last name of Carolyn Tillman (from Clark) and date of next Board meeting. (Clark – Vassilakos, unanimous)

**Consent Items:**

Monthly Financial Statements  
Communications/Correspondences  
Personnel:

Accept the resignation of Domenique Chavez, Library page, effective March 24, 2006

The consent items were approved as presented. (Tillman – Saenz, unanimous)

**San Bernardino City Library Foundation:**

This item was moved forward on the agenda to give Mr. Keller the opportunity to address the current condition of the Library Foundation.

During the last year, most of the Foundation Board's meetings did not have a quorum and consequently, many of the decisions taken at those meetings are invalid. Ed Keller and Maureen Godfrey, also a former Foundation Board president and Shelby Obershaw, have decided to return to the Foundation Board in order to help revitalize it. They are working on recruiting new Foundation Board members and on the annual meeting, scheduled for May 11<sup>th</sup> at which the new officers will be elected. Mayor Patrick Morris has graciously agreed to present the keynote address. Library Director Ophelia Georgiev Roop has arranged with Michel Nolan from the **Sun** to write an article on the Foundation to appear in the paper prior to the annual meeting. The library director offered to the Foundation Board the use of her office/Board Room for their meetings and assistance with the Foundation's newsletter, **BookMark**.

All together, the Foundation is on the road to rebirth.

**Old Business:**

Library budget FY2005/2006:

The Board reviewed the February 2006 monthly appropriations report sent by the City's Finance Department. Library expenditures and remaining balance appear to be exactly on track.

Study Rooms/Enlargement:

The Board would like the lib. management to investigate further the possibility of combining two of the study rooms into one larger meeting room which will be offered to the community for meetings without the fee currently charged for the Kellogg Meeting Rooms.

**New Business:**

Library Director Ophelia Georgiev Roop reviewed the proposal sent to the Mayor for the "One Book, One City" program. Dr. Clark suggested that the book, "Serafina's Stories" by Rudolfo Anaya be also added to the list of possible book choices. Not only is this an important book whose "themes will resonate with our population," but also, Dr. Clark said, he has a contact to the author that may facilitate his appearance here in San Bernardino.

Marion Vassilakos recommended that a Jimmy Carter book be included on the list of books from which to choose also.

**President's Report:**

President Dr. Garcia reported that according to the bylaws of the Board of Trustees, an election of Board officers must be held on the second Thursday in May following a general municipal election. Therefore the election of Board officers will be on the next month's meeting agenda.

Dr. Garcia asked the Board to explore other times for the Board's meetings, however, the outcome was that the second Thursday of each month at 2:00 p.m. is still the most suitable time for all Board members.

**Library Director's Report:**

- Report on PLA attendance
- Library cards/overdue fees for foster children

- Feldheym Central Library vandalism
- Technology upgrade update
- VoIP implementation update

**Closed Session: Section 54957, Brown Act: 3:55 p.m.  
The Board reconvened into Open Session at 4:46 p.m.**

**Library Director's Evaluation:**

The completed evaluation as well as the mutually agreed upon goals were discussed with the library director and the evaluation was sent on to be filed in City Hall.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

**Next meeting:**

The next meeting of the Library Board of Trustees will be on Thursday, May 11, 2006 at 2:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Ophelia Georgiev Roop, Library Director,  
on behalf of:

Marion Vassilakos  
Secretary