

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD - FINAL

August 9, 2007

A Regular Meeting of the Troy Library Board was held on Thursday, August 9, 2007 at the Office of the Library Director. Kul Gauri, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:35 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**                    **PRESENT:** Heather Eisenbacher  
Kul B. Gauri  
Nancy Wheeler  
Audre Zembrzuski  
Arthi Krishna  
Shruthi Subramanian

Cathleen Russ, Library Director

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given

**Resolution #LB-2007-08-01**

Moved by Zembrzuski  
Seconded by Eisenbacher

**RESOLVED, That Lynne Gregory be excused.**

**Yes:            4—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Wheeler, Zembrzuski**  
**No:            0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Resolution #LB-2007-08-02**

Moved by Zembrzuski  
Seconded by Gauri

**RESOLVED, That Minutes of June 14, 2007 be approved.**

**Yes:            4—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Wheeler, Zembrzuski**  
**No:            0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Reviewed Agenda entries

**Resolution #LB-2007-08-03**

Moved by Gauri  
Seconded by Zembrzuski

**RESOLVED, That the Agenda be approved.**

**Yes: 4—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Wheeler, Zembrzuski**  
**No: 0**

## **MOTION CARRIED**

## **POSTPONED ITEMS**

There were no Postponed items.

## **NEW BUSINESS.**

### **A. Request for Proposal for Needs Assessment/Feasibility Study**

Russ reported that the RFP is complete and has been sent to a list of consultants and architects. It is also posted publicly on the MITN website. The timeline is necessarily short, in order to meet any deadlines for a ballot proposal. C. Russ gave an overview of what was included in the proposal and the goals of the study, which are to give a comprehensive idea of possible options. The LAB members briefly discussed alternative and additional funding sources.

### **B. Selection of LAB representative for RFP committee.**

Russ asked the members to select one member to represent the LAB on the RFP committee. This representative will review the RFPs received and make a recommendation on selection. This representative will also report on progress to the rest of the LAB.

## **Resolution #LB-2007-08-04**

Moved by Eisenbacher

Seconded by Zembrzuski

RESOLVED, That Kul Gauri be the Library Advisory Board's representative on the RFP committee, with Lynne Gregory to act as alternate.

**Yes: 4—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Wheeler, Zembrzuski**  
**No: 0**

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Library Facility Discussion**

See above in new business

## **REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS**

### **Director's Report.**

Russ reported that renovation of the library's restrooms is scheduled to begin on Monday, August 27, 2007. The Special Needs Collection is nearing completion and should be available to the public very soon. Troy Police officers conducted a safety training at the recent all-staff meeting, and will also do a walk-through soon to make recommendations about building security. Russ also informed the members that Wilma Rohde, a long-time member of the library staff, passed away recently at age 90.

### **Board Member's Comments**

Zembrzuski asked about the policy regarding candidate information at the library. The

policy is under review by the City Attorney's office. The Library Board members would like to see the statistics for 2006, with a comparison of the last 3 years. Terms of office were also clarified.

**Student Representative's Comments**

Subramanian asked about the contents of the Special Needs collection.

**Suburban Library Cooperative.**

Russ informed the board members that Kristen Valyi-Hax, interim director of the Suburban Library Cooperative, has resigned, effective August 24, 2007. She has accepted the position of director of the Imlay City Public Library. It is anticipated that Arthur Woodford, former director of St. Clair Shores Public Library, will be asked to serve as Interim Director.

**Friends of the Troy Public Library.**

The Friends of the Library have purchased a new laptop and are working on getting their website up and running. The Friends support the library director and the city on their decisions regarding the Needs Assessment/Feasibility Study and whatever decisions are made regarding a new library. Fundraising ideas were discussed. The next Friends Executive Board meeting is Monday, September 10, at 9:30 a.m.

**Gifts.**

None.

**Informational Items.**

June TPL Calendar.

**Contacts and Correspondence.**

21 written comments from the public were reviewed.

**Public Participation.**

There was no public participation.

The Library Board meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 6, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

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Kul Gauri  
Chairman

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Cathleen Russ  
Recording Secretary