

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD - FINAL

December 13, 2007

A Regular Meeting of the Troy Library Board was held on Thursday, December 13, 2007 at the Office of the Library Director. Kul Gauri, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:31 P.M.

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

Cathleen Russ, Library Director

Guests:    Jim Mumby, Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc; Julie Sigler, Friends of TPL

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given

**Resolution #LB-2007-12-01**

Moved by Gregory  
Seconded by Zembrzuski

**RESOLVED, That Shruthi Subramanian be excused.**

**Yes:            5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski**  
**No:             0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Resolution #LB-2007-12-02**

Moved by Wheeler  
Seconded by Gauri

**RESOLVED, That Minutes of November 15, 2007 be approved.**

**Yes:            5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski**  
**No:             0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Resolution #LB-2007-12-03**

Moved by Zembrzuski  
Seconded by Eisenbacher

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

**Yes: 5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski**  
**No: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**POSTPONED ITEMS**

There were no Postponed items.

**NEW BUSINESS.**

- A. Library Closed Dates for 2008
- B. Library Advisory Board meeting dates for 2008

**Resolution #LB-2007-12-04**

Moved by Zembrzuski  
Seconded by Eisenbacher

**RESOLVED, That the Library Closed Dates and the Library Advisory Board meeting dates be approved.**

**Yes: 5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski**  
**No: 0**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**OLD BUSINESS.**

- A. **Library Needs Assessment/Feasibility Study**—Jim Mumby updated the board members as to the progress on the Needs Assessment Study. The findings of the community focus groups were discussed, as well as some interesting statistics based on the library’s usage. The final report is due on February 1, 2008, to Russ, and will be presented at a city council meeting in February.

**REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS**

**Director’s Report.**

Bathroom renovations are complete. Staffing proposal has been approved by the city manager and will go into effect on December 29, 2007. An organizational chart will be given to the LAB members at next month’s meeting, to reflect the new organization. The café contract was renewed for one year at the recent city council meeting. Russ has received her permanent professional’s certificate from the Library of Michigan.

**Board Members’ Comments**

Zembrzuski brought up the controversy surrounding the book, “The Golden Compass.” The board agreed that it does not support censorship and that it is up to the individual, not the library, to determine what people read. Wheeler mentioned that the most recent Booked for Lunch meeting was disorganized and did not go well.

**Student Representatives’ Comments**—Krishna attended a focus group meeting and appreciated having input.

**Suburban Library Cooperative--Gregory**

A finance committee has been formed, as there were questions about the most recent audit report. MelCat delivery is improving.

**Friends of the Troy Public Library**

Julie Sigler reported that Mary Kerwin has resigned from the board, but Jeanne Stine has agreed to join the board. Howard Adams is the new treasurer, but Julie Sigler will also remain on the board.

**Gifts.**

A \$125 donation was received from a Clawson resident, thanking TPL for its excellent service.

**Informational Items.**

December TPL Calendar.

**Contacts and Correspondence.**

20 written comments from the public were reviewed.

**Public Participation.**

There was no public participation.

The Library Board meeting adjourned at 9:25 P.M.

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Kul Gauri  
Chairman

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Cathleen Russ  
Recording Secretary