

**Minutes of the Volusia County Library Advisory Board Meeting
November 14th, 2014
Deltona Regional Library**

Members:

Claudia Hutchins, At-Large
Jean Fletcher, District I
Neil Harrington, District II
Rev. Donald Needham, District III
Chris Hartley, District IV
Sue Lombardi, District V
Robert Clinton, At-Large

Staff:

Lucinda Colee, Library Director
Chelsea Harrison, Recorder

Neil Harrington, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:04 am.

Neil Harrington, Donald Needham, Chris Hartley, Claudia Hutchins, and Jean Fletcher were present. Sue Lombardi and Robert Clinton were absent.

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

The minutes were approved and passed unanimously for the meetings of September 19th and October 3rd.

Update – Meeting Schedule for Next Year – Handout:

The recommended meeting dates for the next year were set, please see attached. The meetings will continue to be held at a mix of libraries and LSC as selected by Lucinda Colee.

Appointments – Terms End – March 2015:

All appointments will end in March 2015, please have your applications in. Lucinda will check on term length.

Director’s Report:

Tax Payer Return on Investment Study – 2013:

Lucinda presented the study to the Board, please see attached. Dedicated funds helped to all for success during the economic downturn. Limitations on reciprocal borrowing agreements were discussed.

FLA – 2015 Legislative Platform:

The Legislative Platform was presented to the Board, please see attached. A total of \$5 million was added back to State Aid. This year there is a push to add \$33 million, bringing the level back up to what it was in 2001.

The Board discussed the direction that County Management wants to take in the consolidation of facilities. The Library is not a special taxing district and all available tax money is being looked at. The Orange City Public Library is an underutilized facility that is in poor condition. The Library system is

stronger after closing Holly Hill and S. Cornelia Young; there was not a decrease in use. Library locations were discussed.

Early Voting Counts:

The statistics for Early Voting Counts were presented to the Board, please see attached.

Endowment Report – Request

Fund balances for the endowments were discussed. The request is to use the endowment funds to purchase a one year subscription to Lynda.com and Tutor.com and then the renewal fee would be paid by the regular publication line.

Lynda.com

Claudia Hutchins, At-Large, made a motion to propose the purchase of a one year subscription of Lynda.com funded by the Desiderio Fund. Jean Fletcher, District I, seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Tutor.com

Donald Needham, District III, made a motion to proceed with investigating and setting up the first year of a Tutor.com subscription funded by the Desiderio Trust. Jean Fletcher, District I, seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Continue Facility Review – State Statistics Review:

Information on the Facility Review and Registered Borrowers was presented to the Board, please see attached.

Board Discussion:

Neil Harrington, Chair, stated that Board members need to be concerned about their attendance. If you miss two meetings a year, you are eligible to be removed from the Board.

Adjournment:

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am.

Next Scheduled Meeting:

The next scheduled meeting will be on January 9th, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,
Chelsea Harrison