

**NORTH LAS VEGAS LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, January 25, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

5:01 P.M., North Las Vegas Library District Community Room
2300 Civic Center Drive, North Las Vegas, Nevada

PRESENT

Chair Stephanie Smith
Trustee Shari Buck
Trustee Robert Eliason
Trustee Michael Montandon
Trustee Sheila Rex
Trustee William Robinson

EXCUSED

Vice-Chair Felizia Hernandez

STAFF PRESENT

Library Director Anita Laruy
City Attorney Sean McGowan
Assistant Library Director Kathy Pennell

WELCOME

Chair Stephanie Smith

VERIFICATION

Kathy Pennell,
Assistant Library Director

PUBLIC FORUM

Chair Smith moved the Public Forum to the beginning of the meeting.

Norman Simpson, 3011 Asher Lane, North Las Vegas, Nevada 89032, addressed the Board. He questioned the Board's commitment as to funding a library at Alexander and Martin Luther King. Chair Smith responded that she has been talking to some of the County Commissioners regarding doing a joint project at that location and that she is committed to building a library at that location.

1. **Approval of the agenda for the North Las Vegas Library District Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of January 25, 2005.**

ACTION: APPROVED

MOTION: Trustee Eliason

SECOND: Chair Smith

AYES: Chair Smith, Trustees Buck, Eliason, Montandon, Rex, Robinson

NAYS: None

2. **Approval of the November 17, 2004 North Las Vegas Library District Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes**

ACTION: APPROVED

MOTION: Trustee Eliason

SECOND: Trustee Rex

AYES: Chair Smith, Trustees Buck, Eliason, Montandon, Rex, Robinson

NAYS: None

3. **Approval of the September 28, 2004 North Las Vegas Library District Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes**

ACTION: APPROVED

MOTION: Trustee Eliason

SECOND: Trustee Rex

AYES: Chair Smith, Trustees Buck, Eliason, Montandon, Rex, Robinson

NAYS: None

4. **Discussion and possible action on a name for the new library located at 2400 Deer Springs Way**

ACTION: Director Laruy to contact North Valley Enterprise and request permission to use the name Aliante.

MOTION: Trustee Buck

SECOND: Trustee Montandon

AYES: Chair Smith, Trustees Buck, Eliason, Montandon, Rex, Robinson

NAYS: None

ACTION: If permission is not granted by North Valley Enterprise, then the name Deer Springs will be used.

MOTION: Trustee Montandon
SECOND: Trustee Robinson
AYES: _____ Chair Smith, Trustees Buck, Eliason, Montandon, Rex, Robinson
NAYS: None

Director Laruy suggested the library be named the Aliante Library. Attorney McGowan stated that we would need to obtain permission to use that name. Trustee Montandon suggested that Deer Springs Library be considered as a second choice.

5. Discussion and direction regarding the preparation of the Library District's Master Plan by RAFI

Dr. Robert Fielden, RAFI, addressed the Board regarding the City's projected growth and library services required to service that growth. He stated that based on the current population and accepted library planning standards, the District should currently be operating seven to nine neighborhood libraries. By 2025 when the population reaches 492,000, the District needs to expand to 20 to 25 branches.

Laura Spina, RAFI, asked the Board what they would like to see in future libraries. Responses were: lots of technology; very up-to-date; performing, cultural and fine arts; a beautiful center for the community; programming that is not necessarily library related but draws people in; capitalize on marketing strategies of book stores; great periodical sections; Internet access and wireless access for personal lap tops; comfortable chairs; activities for kids; business center with self-serve copiers operated by rechargeable magnetic strip cards, art galleries; teen study areas; community rooms. Trustee Montandon said he would like to see a multipurpose room but not a square, perhaps in a stadium shape and that it should be multi functional. Also expressed was that a bookstore and coffee shop would be desirable.

Board Members stated that the library should look at forming partnerships with parks and recreation, performing arts, museums, developers, and commercial.

The Board preferred a neighborhood branch, however with land prices on the rise, they recognized that may not be possible.

It was also suggested that RAFI look at cities of similar size to see what they have in terms of library resources, culture, theater and performing arts groups, and look at their successes and failures.

6. District Library Director's report

Director Laruy reported that she has been working closely with the architectural firms, both for the Aliante Library and the Library District's Master Plan. The bid opening for the Aliante Library is schedule for Tuesday, February 8, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. Additionally, she has been meeting with staff on the collection development and other areas for the Aliante Library.

Two focus groups have been scheduled for the Master Plan - at Sliver Mesa Recreation Center on Tuesday, February 8 and at the Main Branch on Wednesday, February 9. Both will be held at 7:00 p.m.

Director Laruy stated that we will be purchasing a fax machine for use by the public. It is a service that is not being provided in the area of the Main Branch.

7. Closed personnel session for the Director's annual performance evaluation

Chair Smith closed the meeting at 6:01 p.m. to conduct a personnel session for the Director's annual performance review.

8. Action pertaining to the closed personnel session for the Director's annual performance evaluation

Chair Smith reopened the public portion of the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

ACTION: APPROVED A ONE PERCENT SALARY INCREASE FOR THE DIRECTOR

MOTION: Chair Smith

SECOND: Trustee Montandon

AYES: _____ Chair Smith, Trustees Buck, Eliason, Montandon, Rex

NAYS: Robinson

Chair Smith applauded the Director's work and stated that the Board would set new goals at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.