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Kansas City Public Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting — September 28, 2010

The Board of Trustees of the Kansas City Public Library, pursuant to official notification, met Tuesday, September 28, 2010 at 4:30 p.m. at the Central Library, 14 West 10th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan Kemper, President
David Mayta
Joan Caulfield
Rose Marie Bell
Fran Daniel
Leon Dixon
Olivia Dorsey
Billie Howard Barnes
Claudia Oñate Greim

STAFF PRESENT: Crosby Kemper III, Chief Executive
Terry Anderson, Director of Collection Management
Claudia Baker, Director of Development
Reed Beebe, Administrative Officer
Lillie Brack, Central Library Director
Dorothy Elliott, Deputy Executive Director for Branch and
Outreach Services
Crystal Faris, Director of Teen Services
Jordan Fields, Digital Project Manager
Henry Fortunato, Director of Public Affairs and Communication
Jason Harper, Web Content Developer
Kathleen Hinton, Senior Financial Accountant
Pam Kannady, Director of Human Resources
Cheptoo Kositany-Buckner, Deputy Director
Debbie Siragusa, Chief Financial Officer
Paul Smith, Communications Specialist
Kaite Stover, Head of Reader Services
Donna Whitner, Director of Purchasing

OTHERS PRESENT: Chris Lopez

J. Kemper called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

J. Kemper opened the public hearing for the 2010 property tax rate and the final 2010 – 2011 budget and asked for questions and comments. There was no response from the public and J. Kemper closed the public hearing.

Motion by Bell to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2010 Finance and Audit Committee meeting and the August 24, 2010 regular Board meeting. Second by Dixon. Approved unanimously. (Note: As a matter of Board convention, the Chair votes only when his/her vote would affect the outcome of the vote. In all "recorded" votes, the vote of the Chair

appears only when it has actually been cast and when it has had an effect on the disposition of the motion. Notations of "approved unanimously" mean all members, other than the Chair, voting affirmatively.)

Mayta reported to the Board on the September 28, 2010 Finance and Audit Committee meeting. He stated that the Committee had recommended to the Board that it adopt the proposed ad valorem property tax rate and the Library's 2010 – 2011 operating budget, presented for the Board's consideration in LBM 3606 and LBM 3607, respectively.

Motion by Dixon to approve the Consent Agenda items before the Board. Second by Oñate Greim. Approved unanimously. The following items were approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

Move approval of the recommendation of the Chief Executive to authorize the following expenditures for August 2010: Payroll (08/26/10 net cash \$202,678 plus taxes \$78,086) and (09/09/10 net cash \$203,079 plus taxes \$78,169), total amount of \$562,012; General Expense Payments including Checks (#148897-149109), in the amount of \$739,529. (LBM 3603)

Move approval of the recommendation of the Chief Executive to accept the attached financial reports for August 2010. (LBM 3604)

Move approval of the recommendation of the Chief Executive to authorize the contract with and/or make payment to the attached list of vendors in amounts not exceed those detailed in the attached list of vendors. (LBM 3605)

Daniel arrived at 4:35 p.m.

J. Kemper asked if C. Kemper could research whether COMBAT (Community Backed Anti-drug Tax) funds could be used to fund security operations at the Library. C. Kemper stated that he would research this issue.

Motion by Mayta to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive and the Finance and Audit Committee to fix the Library's 2010 ad valorem tax rate at 49.99 cents per \$100 assessed valuation pursuant to the provisions of 67.110 RSMo. (NOTE: As this action was recommended by the Finance and Audit Committee, no second was necessary). Approved unanimously. (LBM 3606)

Motion by Mayta to accept the recommendation of the Chief Executive and the Finance and Audit Committee to adopt a final 2010-2011 Library Operating Budget General Fund of \$18,083,822. (NOTE: As this action was recommended by the Finance and Audit Committee, no second was necessary). Approved unanimously. (LBM 3607)

Motion by Bell to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to ratify the purchase of two bookcases and a cabinet from Southampton Antiques in the amount of \$43,700. Second by Oñate Greim. Approved unanimously. (LBM 3608)

Caulfield asked if the Library's security would search for guns or other weapons during events where VIPs or other dignitaries, such as political leaders, might attend. Kositany-Buckner stated that security does not search for weapons during regular events; however, security precautions could be upgraded for visits from VIPs or other public figures.

Motion by Mayta to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to place the existing Library Board Policy 607 concerning program sponsorship on the

Policy Calendar in accordance with Library Board Policy 002. Second by Dorsey. Approved unanimously.

Stover and Smith gave a presentation on the Library's efforts to expand the branch reading groups, which was one of the objectives of the Library's Strategic Plan.

Caulfield left at 5:15 p.m.

C. Kemper discussed the Director's Report for August 2010. (LBM 3610) He stated that he would present the Library's research on comparisons of vacation and sick leave benefit policies relative to other libraries to the Library's Benefits Committee.

Fortunato discussed past and upcoming programming events at the Library. He introduced Jason Harper, who he stated was working to produce a staff newsletter.

Motion by Dorsey to adjourn. Second by Mayta. Approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Secretary

Date