

**Approved Minutes
For the Boulder Public Library Commission
November 3, 2010**

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Nadia Haddad
Annette Mitchell
Sam Fuqua
Anne Sawyer

LIBRARY STAFF PRESENT

Donna Gartenmann, Acting Library & Arts Director
Lynn Reed, Assistant Library Director
Jennifer Miles, Strategic Planning & Administrative Services Manager
Tina Walker, Administrative Assistant
Melinda Mattingly, Reference & Collections Manager
Mary Jane Holland, Children and Teen Manager
Gwen Holton, Branch Library Specialist

Paul Fetherston, Deputy City Manager
Patrick Von Keyserling, Communications Manager
Eileen Gomez, Human Resources Director

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT

None

PUBLIC PRESENT

Peter Richards
Natalie Grecu
Alice McDonald

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTE

The minutes of November 6, 2010 were approved as amended.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Peter Richards – Mr. Richards came to the meeting to put forward his concerns about the following:

- Mr. Richards stated that he has received no official response regarding the Library name change.
- He asked why Tony Tallent spent so much energy changing the name.
- He asked who was on the search committee that chose Tony Tallent for the director. He requested that this information to be made public.
- He asked who will be on the committee for the new director search.
- He asked why Library Commission applicants not attend the Library Commission Meetings.

MATTERS FROM THE DIRECTOR & STAFF

Lominger competencies to inform library director selection process, facilitated by Eileen Gomez, Human Resources Director. Eileen Gomez used the Lominger Leadership Architect Competency sort cards to help the commission select the top 10 competencies that they would like to see in the director search. The competencies that the commission selected were: political savvy, integrity & trust, innovation management, managerial courage, process management, strategic agility, business acumen, organizational agility, priority setting, and informing.

Interview questions for Library Commission interviews – The commission agreed that the interview questions for Board and Commission interviews were fine as written.

Follow-up on information requested at the October Library Commission Meeting – Jennifer Miles went over the summary of information requested at the October Library Commission meeting which included information and basic timeline for making recommendations about library capital projects to apply existing capital funding or to request a portion of the .38 sales tax. The existing funds include the proceeds from the sale of the Blystat-Laesar house, Facilities Renewal & Replacement funds and Development Excise Taxes collected for the library.

MATTERS FROM THE COMMISSION

Sam Fuqua asked for a brief explanation of what lead to the library computer system outage over the weekend.

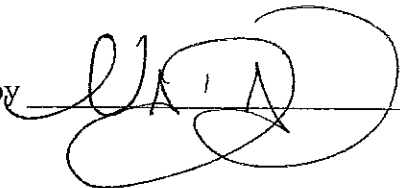
Book Sale – Nadia Haddad said that the library book shop is a treasure, and asked what the commission can do to help. Haddad asked for a report about the Library Book Shop. Donna Gartenmann shared statistics of the book shop sales. Haddad suggested more signage, and charging more for paperback books.

Anne Sawyer inquired about vacant positions at the library. Donna Gartenmann advised that as soon as the staffing plan is approved by Human Resources the staff and commission will be notified. Sawyer stated that she did not want staff to feel insecure because they are not receiving information.

Nadia Haddad stated that the library website has broken links, and is difficult to search and navigate. She recommended that updating the information and improving the navigation be made a priority.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55

Approved by  Date 11/22/10

