

Providence Community Library  
Board of Directors Minutes  
Annual Meeting, September 16, 2013  
Rochambeau Library

1. Welcome and Call to Order

President Mark McKenney called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm, following a reception for Board members and guests

Secretary Joan Dagle took the roll call of the board members, noting that 17 Board members were present, making a quorum.

Present: Yamil Baez, Avital Chatto, Gonzalo Cuervo, Joan Dagle, Deborah Del Gais, Cedric de Leon, Almas Kalafian, Linda Kushner, Matthew Lawrence, Mark McKenney, Marcus Mitchell, Silaphone Nhongvongsouthy, Patricia Raub, Deborah Schimberg, Ellen Schwartz, Cyndie Wilmot, and Ken Wise.

Absent: Christian Caldarone, Kai Cameron, Elena Chiaradio, Dale Gorton, Althea Graves, Alan Gunther, Ann Keefe, and Rochelle Lee.

2. Minutes: L. Kushner moved that the board minutes from July 22, 2013 be accepted as recorded. The motion to approve the minutes was seconded by G. Cuervo and passed unanimously.

3. President Mark McKenney asked for a round of applause for Michelle and everyone involved in the preparation of the Annual Report.

4. P. Raub and M. Mitchell introduced a resolution, unanimously approved, sending best wishes for a speedy recovery to Board member A. Gunther.

5. J. Dagle distributed the annual Conflict of Interest Statement to Board members for signatures and the Calendar of Board meetings for 2013-2014.

6. Finance Report: Vote on Revised FY 14 Budget.

E. Schwartz presented the revised budget with the Executive Committee's recommendation to adopt. The vote to accept the Revised FY 14 budget was unanimous.

7. Slide Presentation and Executive Director's Overview of 2013

An overview of the past year at PCL: received with great acclaim and applause.

L. Marlane announced that GTech will be opening a computer lab at Washington Park Library, their eighth one.

8. Election of At-Large Members

P. Raub presented the slate of nominees for at-large members of the Board: Christian Caldarone, Sr. Ann Keefe, Marcus Mitchell, Patricia Raub, and Ellen Schwartz. There were no nominations from the floor. The nominees were unanimously elected.

9. Election of Officers

P. Raub presented the slate of nominees for Board officers: Mark McKenney, President; Cyndie Wilmot, Vice President; Ellen Schwartz, Treasurer; Joan Dagle, Secretary. The nominees were elected unanimously.

10. Keynote Speaker: Karen Mellor, OLIS

K. Mellor praised the success of PCL and urged PCL to continue its mission but also to reach out to libraries and other organizations throughout the state—to strive not only to serve but also to transform the community.

11. Public Comment

A letter signed by several members of Friends of Rochambeau was presented and read and placed on file.

Dan Klotz from the Central Falls Library spoke about the challenges facing libraries and the need for collaborative initiatives.

12. President's Closing Remarks

M. McKenney thanked the Board and all who give of their time to PCL. M. Mitchell expressed the Board's thanks to Mark for all of his hard work and advocacy.

13. Adjournment

E. Schwartz moved to adjourn the meeting; P. Raub seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Dagle  
Secretary