

Berkeley Public Library
Board of Library Trustees

Regular Meeting
April 14, 2004

Agenda
7:00 p.m.

Central Library
2090 Kittredge Street, 3rd floor

Please refrain from wearing scented products at public meetings.

Items which are starred (*) are included in the packet; (**) Trustees only.

I. Call to Order

II. Public Comments (proposed 10-minute limit, with no more than 5 speakers speaking for 2 minutes each)

III. Approval of Agenda

IV. Consent Calendar

A. From Director of Library Services

- *1. Minutes of Regular Meeting – March 10, 2004
- *2. Minutes of Special Meeting – March 24, 2004
- **3. Retirement of MaryLou Mull, Deputy Director, Administration
- **4. Resignation of Mary Lukanuski, Librarian II (Web Librarian), Information Technology
- **5. Resignation of Vlad Kaplun, Library Aide, General Services

V. Reports for Action/Discussion

A. From Director of Library Services

1. Building Projects Update
 - a. West Branch Renovation
 - b. Central Library
2. Decision-making process for Board of Library Trustees: Summary
- **3. Discussion re: possible ballot measures for parcel tax and/or branch renovation
- **4. Recommendation to Accept RFID Vendor Bid
- **5. Discussion re: Closure of Meeting Rooms as of July 1, 2004
6. Director's Report
 - a. Budget
 - b. Library Hours
- **7. Discussion of City Manager's Report Regarding Frequency of Commission Meetings and/or Other Possible Cost Reductions.

VI. Reports for Information

A. From Director of Library Services

- **1. BPL Staff News, March 2004
- *2. BPL Calendar of Events, April 2004
- *3. BPL Press Releases/Flyers:
 - *Meet Mordicai Gerstein, winner of the 2004 Caldecott Medal award*
 - *Lisa di Prima's Jazz Art with the Don Robinson Trio*
 - *Meet Jeanne DuPrau, author of "The City of Ember"*

- *Off To a Great Start with Books! With Kathleen Odean*
- *Martial Arts with Louise Rafkin*
- *Canta Con Migo*
- *4. Newspaper articles:
 - *Deficit Forces Libraries To Cut Back Hours* (Daily Californian, 3/11/04)
 - *City Council News: Budget Cuts Will Hit City Offices Hard* (Berkeley Voice, 3/12/04)
 - *Berkeley to Lay Off 16, Cut Hours And Budgets* (American Libraries Online, 3/12/04)
 - *Taxes for Youth, Library, Schools: Officials Consider Putting Measures To Vote In November* (SF Chronicle, 3/20/04)
 - *Berkeley Studies Fiscal Cuts* (Oakland Tribune, 3/25/04)
 - *Seniors Protest Council Budget Cuts* (Berkeley Daily Planet, 3/26/04)
 - *City Council Briefs: Council Lays Down Guidelines For Cuts* (Berkeley Voice, 3/26/04)
 - *Letters To Datebook: Heavenly Stairs At Berkeley's Rebuilt Library* (SF Chronicle, 3/26/04)
 - *Cesar E. Chavez Events Planned In Berkeley Thru April 23* (Oakland Tribune, 3/28/04)
 - *Opinion: Locking Up A Word Of Ideas: Closing Libraries Puts Schools' Core At Risk* (SF Chronicle, 3/28/04)
 - *City Council Ushers In Fiscal Year With Millions In City Service Cuts* (Daily Californian, 3/29/04)
 - *Quilters Make a Beeline To Exhibit Their Work* (Contra Costa Times, 4/4/04)
- **5. Report on Sabbatical - Amy Prevedel, Library Literacy Coordinator

VII. Agenda Building

Next Special Meeting: April 28, 2004, Central Library, 2090 Kittredge Street
Next Regular Meeting: May 12, 2004, Central Library, 2090 Kittredge Street

VIII. Adjourn