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AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING**

Tuesday, October 18, 2011, 8:30 a.m.
Harold Washington Library Center
400 South State Street
Multi-Purpose Room, Lower Level

1. Approval of the September 20, 2011 Board meeting minutes. **(action required)**
2. Commissioner's report **(info. only)**
3. Report of the Committee on Administration and Finance
 - Schedule of Contracts and Requisitions **(action required)**
4. Report of the Committee on Facilities
 - Capital Projects Report **(info. only)**
5. Chicago Public Library Foundation
6. Other Business
 - Retirements:
Sheila McGovern (36 years), James Hardt (24 years),
Thomas R. Edwards (20 years), Ruth Jarrett (19 years), Michael Agic (7 years)
7. Questions and comments from the audience
8. Executive Session

Next Board meeting: Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 8:30 a.m.
Harold Washington Library Center
400 S. State Street
Multi-Purpose Room



October 18, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library was convened by Board President Jayne Thompson at 8:32 a.m. on Tuesday, October 18, 2011 in the Harold Washington Library Center's Multi-Purpose Room.

The following Directors were present:

Present: Jayne C. Thompson, President
Cherryl T. Thomas, VP
Christopher P. Valenti, Secretary
Josephine Gómez
Judith C. Rice

Absent: Cristina Benitez
Susan S. Hassan
Israel Idonije
Julia Zhu

Also in attendance were Commissioner Mary Dempsey, First Deputy Commissioner Karen Danczak Lyons, Deputy Commissioner Kathy Biel, Assistant Commissioners Brenda McGlohon, Greta Bever, Laura Zupko, and Amy Eshleman and other members of the Library staff.

Others: Kevin Hall, AIA, Public Building Commission
The Chicago Public Library Foundation:
Rhona S. Frazin, President & CEO
Veronica Brown, CPLF, Director of Individual Gifts

Members of the Public: Reverend Doyle Landry, patron

I. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the Library Board's September 18, 2011 meeting.



II. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Mary Dempsey reported the following:

- The Chicago Public Library continues to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Harold Washington Library Center. Formal dedication of the Library was October 4, 1991 and first day of library service was October 7, 1991. A special exhibit entitled “The Stories We Share”, featuring many luminaries who appeared at the Central Library over the years, is on display in the Congress corridor. The Library continues to serve more than 5,000 visitors each day, 7 days a week.
- YOUmedia is the recipient of the 2011 Game Changer award from the Boeing Company, in recognition of its revolutionary approach to libraries and learning for youth. The award also comes with a \$100,000 grant for YOUmedia. The Library thanks James Donnelley, Rhona Frazin, Jayne Thompson and members of the Foundation and Library Board who were involved in the nomination process for the Game Changer award. Thanks to additional grant funding from the MacArthur Foundation and the federal government, YOUmedia has now expanded to the Richard M. Daley, Lozano, and Thurgood Marshall branches. Board members are invited to visit the YOUmedia’s website (youmedia.org) to view the videos created by middle school children using the first opening sentence of the Chicago Public Library’s One Book, One Chicago fall title, *The Adventures of Augie March*, by Saul Bellow.
- On October 3, The Chicago Public Library opened the doors to its newest branch the beautiful 16,300 square foot Little Village branch at 23rd and Kedzie. The Chicago Public Library is most grateful to: the Chicago Fire Department for agreeing to share the site and looks forward to many partnerships with the firefighters of the new Engine 109 House located due south of the branch; and to the Public Building Commission for its fine work on the construction. 893 people visited the branch on the first day and checked out 720 items. In its first week of operation, the branch circulated more than 5000 items and issued hundreds of new and renewed library cards. The branch has not yet been dedicated.
- On October 12, 2011, Mayor Rahm Emanuel unveiled his first budget. The budget will be debated in the City Council in October and a final vote is expected on or before November 16. The budget recommendations for the Chicago Public Library reflect a reduction of staff and vacancies but preservation of all library locations. Further discussion of this will take place during today’s Executive Session.



- The Chicago Public Library's budget testimony before the City Council is scheduled for October 21 at 9:00 a.m.
- On October 6, the Chicago Public Library and the Poetry Foundation welcomed 385 people for Poetry Day with US Poet Laureate W.S. Merwin.
- October 13, the Chicago Public Library and the Illinois Science Council welcomed 200 people to hear Steven Pinker discuss: *The Better Angels of our Nature: Why Violence Has Declined* as part of the Library's ongoing science series.
- Also on October 13, as part of One Book, One Chicago and in partnership with DePaul University and Stop Smiling books, authors Stuart Dybek, Achy Obejas and JC Gabel welcomed 90 people to a Flash Fiction Writing Contest. Entrants were challenged to write a story of 750 words or less inspired by Chicago as Saul Bellow was for the much longer *Adventures of Augie March*.
- Martin Amis will appear with Chicago Sun Times publisher John Barron at the Harold Washington Library Center tonight in conversation about his friend Saul Bellow as part of the Library's One Book, One Chicago, *Adventures of Augie March*, fall title.
- The Carl Sandburg Literary Award dinner will take place on Thursday, October 20. The Foundation will be honoring Roger Ebert with the Sandburg Award and Rebecca Skloot with the 21st Century Award. A Chicago author will be seated at every table.
- The Chicago Public Library will welcome Tom Brokaw who will discuss his book, *The Time of Our Lives: A Conversation About America*, on November 7 and Harry Belafonte who will discuss his book, *My Song: A Memoir*, with Richard Steele on November 8. Registration is required for both of these author events.
- The Chicago Public Library held the third competition for this year's Chicago Public Library One Book, One Chicago poster design contest on October 12. The People's Choice winner was *One Book, One Chicago Twenty Excerpts* by Kelly Bair and the winning poster was *The City That Reads Together* by Tre Henry and Josh Rains.
- The Chicago Public Library's annual Bookamania is scheduled for Saturday, November 19, 2011. The Library thanks the Target Corporation for its continuing support of this important celebration of children's books and authors. A crowd of 5,000 is expected to attend.



President Thompson noted that Commissioner Dempsey was also awarded the Game Changer Award by the Boeing Corporation for her leadership and farsightedness in creating the YOUmedia program.

III. ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Director Cherryl Thomas, Chair of the Administration and Finance Committee, gave the report for the Committee. The Committee met on Tuesday, October 11 at the Harold Washington Library Center and approved the September 13, 2011 minutes of the Administration and Finance Committee meeting.

Director Thomas reported that Finance Director Joselyn Bell presented the Library's Schedule of Contracts and Requisitions for October 2011 (Attachment A). The Library requested the Committee's approval and its recommendation to the full Board that it approve the expenditure of operating funds for a one-year renewal of the SmartNet Network Maintenance Plan. This purchase will be made from an existing citywide contract with AT&T at an estimated cost of \$125,000 through Fund 346, accounts .0149 and .0154. This contract is presented before the Committee for approval annually and will cover maintenance of the computer equipment that supports all of the Library's public and private systems (e-mail, circulation, WiFi), is competitively bid by the City and is the best price obtainable. The Committee recommends that the Board approve the request.

Director Thomas moved that the Board approve the expenditure of operating funds in the estimated amount of \$125,000 through Fund 346, accounts .0149 and .0154 for a one-year renewal of the SmartNet maintenance contract. The motion was seconded and passed on the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Gómez, Rice, Thomas, Thompson, Valenti
Nays: None

Director Thomas reported that Timothy Schlindwein of Schlindwein Associates, LLC, the Library's investment consultant for the Hiram Kelly Fund, presented a review of the Fund's investment and his firm's recommendations for rebalancing the Fund's portfolio (Attachment B). Mr. Schlindwein recommended moving some of the Fund's assets from the fixed-income portion of the Fund to the equity side. Mr. Schlindwein also suggested selling two equity funds and purchasing three others as outlined on page 22 of the report. The Committee approved the rebalancing as recommended by Mr. Schlindwein.



Director Thomas reported that the Committee went into Executive Session to discuss matters related to personnel and immediately adjourned upon its return from Executive Session as there were no questions or comments from the audience.

IV. FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Director Christopher Valenti gave the report of the Facilities Committee (Attachment A). The Committee met at the Chicago Bee Branch library on October 12. The minutes of the Facilities Committee's September 14, 2011 meeting were approved.

Director Valenti reported that Mort Coburn presented and highlighted the following from the Capital Improvement Projects report:

1. **Richard M. Daley Branch.** Fifteen punch list items remain to be completed at this new branch located at 727-743 N. Kedzie Avenue. The branch opened for service on July 8 and was dedicated on July 28, 2011. This project is expected to receive a gold certification by the US Building Council in their LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) program.
2. **Greater Grand Crossing Branch** Library Project, 1000 E. 73rd Street. This 8,871 square foot branch was dedicated and opened for public service on Saturday, April 23, 2011. Five punch list items remain to be completed and work on the Comer Family Reading Garden continues. This project is expected to receive a gold LEED certification.
3. **Dunning Branch.** This 8,871 square foot branch was dedicated and opened for public service on Friday, May 6. One punch list item remains to be completed. This project is expected to receive a gold LEED certification.
4. **Little Village.** This 16,295 square foot branch located at 2343 S. Kedzie Avenue opened for public service on Monday, October 3. The Public Building Commission is aiming for a gold LEED certification.



Projects in the planning phase:

- Humboldt Park library 5,000 square foot expansion with TIF funds: This project is in the pre-bid phase. Architectural plans are complete. The construction bid is now expected to go out for bid October 19.
- Edgewater: Lohan Anderson's new 2-story design will be used for this project. Construction bid opening is scheduled for October 27.
- Whitney Young: This will be a new 16,295 square foot, single level structure to replace the current small facility. Remediation, which will take 18-24 months, will begin in the spring of 2012.
- Daley: A new 16,295 square foot replacement for the current Richard J. Daley Branch. The alderman has approved the use of TIF funds for the construction of this branch.
- Albany Park: TIF funds will be used for the construction of this 16,295 square foot Lohan Anderson design. The Public Building Commission approved the site designation and formulation letter request on September 13.
- Independence Branch. No changes to report on this project. Funding for land in consultation with the area's alderman, state representative, and community groups is still being evaluated.
- Chinatown Branch: No changes to report on this project.
- Back of the Yards. No changes to report on this new 16,295 square foot building to replace a storefront facility. The storefront closed on August 22 due to continued flooding. Funding is not in place for the replacement.

Director Valenti reported that the Library reported that a temporary fix on the facade of the Woodson Regional Library will begin in the fall. First Deputy Commissioner Karen Danczak Lyons assured the Committee that the Library will monitor the work.

Director Valenti reported that First Deputy Commissioner Karen Danczak Lyons gave the report for US Equities, the building management company for the Harold Washington Library Center. There were no issues to report and all routine janitorial and preventive maintenance is ongoing and on schedule.

Ms. Danczak Lyons reported to the Committee that there was an attempted armed robbery of a patron inside the men's public restroom on the 3rd floor. Two teenage offenders were apprehended inside the restroom by security and the covert officer after the victim, who was not hurt, reported the incident to security. An arrest was made by the Chicago Police and the Chicago Public Library was informed that the offender pled guilty.



Director Valenti reported that Kevin Hall of the Public Building Commission gave a presentation of the Humboldt Park expansion.

Director Valenti reported that Chicago Bee Branch Manager Marvin Bowen gave a report on the branch and surrounding community.

Director Valenti reported that the Committee went into Executive Session to discuss matters relating to personnel.

V. FOUNDATION REPORT

Rhona S. Frazin, President and CEO of the Chicago Public Library Foundation, gave the Foundation's report. (Attachment C).

VI. OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Dempsey presented the retirement resolutions (Attachments D-H) for Sheila McGovern (36 years), James Hardt (24 years), Thomas R. Edwards (20 years), Ruth Jarrett (19 years), Michael Agic (7 years).

VII QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Reverend Doyle Landry, a member of the audience, congratulated Commissioner Dempsey for being recognized in the Today's Chicago Woman magazine and expressed his concerns about the potential reduction of library service hours and what the Library's media department is doing in response. Commissioner Dempsey responded that its staff will be cut – no branches will be closed. The Library is not authorized to initiate an official public relations effort. Members of staff who are concerned are being encouraged to contact their AFSCME union representatives.

President Thompson thanked Reverend Landry for his words of support and encouraged him to contact his alderman to express his concerns about the Library. President Thompson added that as a City agency, the Library has to abide by the City's requests.



VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:05 a.m., President Thompson moved pursuant to Section 120/2a of the Open Meetings Act to have the Board go into Executive Session to discuss a matter related to personnel. The motion was seconded and passed.

All were excused from the meeting with the exception of the Board members, less Director Josephine Gomez who had to leave due to previous commitment. Commissioner Dempsey, First Deputy Commissioner Karen Danczak Lyons, Deputy Commissioner Kathy Biel, Finance Director Joselyn Bell, and Human Resource Director Jennifer Ross remained.

The Executive Session ended at 9:55 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

The members of the Board and Commissioner Dempsey, First Deputy Commissioner Karen Danczak Lyons, Deputy Commissioner Kathy Biel, Finance Director Joselyn Bell, and Human Resource Director Jennifer Ross returned from the Executive Session portion of the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Christopher P. Valenti
Secretary



SCHEDULE OF REQUISITIONS AND CONTRACTS

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE COMMITTEE

October 11, 2011

Committee Agenda Items

1. Computer Services is requesting authorization to expend operating funds for a one year renewal of the SmartNet Network Maintenance Plan from an existing citywide contract with AT&T. The SmartNet plan provides an extended maintenance warranty, software and firmware updates and ongoing maintenance for critical Wide Area Network and Local Area Network equipment. The Chicago Public Library has had an extended maintenance warranty from AT&T since 2005. The network equipment covered under this warranty supports the information systems and services provided on staff and public computers, including, but not limited to: internet, wireless connections, email, circulation, digital collections and connection to the City of Chicago financial and human resources systems.

Estimated Cost: \$125,000 (Paid through Corporate Fund 346, accounts .0149 and .0154)

Remaining Balance: account .0149 \$322,198 and account .0154 \$0



Attachment B
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**Report on CPL Capital Projects for October 2011
Prepared for the Facilities Committee**

I. Summary:

Number of buildings at a preconstruction phase 2
Humboldt Park Branch Expansion
Edgewater Branch

II. Newly Completed Buildings:

(1) Richard M. Daley Branch: 733 North Kedzie Avenue

As of October 2, fifteen punch list items remain to be completed. Steady progress is being made in completing this work. A concrete curb is to be added to the alley to separate and secure the building plantings. In addition, a path between the reading garden and the service walk will be added to prevent landscaping from being trampled. Application to the U.S. Green Building Council for a LEED Gold Certificate has not yet been made.

(2) Greater Grand Crossing Branch: 1000 East 73rd Street

Five punch list items remain. Application to the U.S. Green Building Council for a LEED Gold Certificate has not yet been made.

Landscaping and paving work has begun on the Comer Foundation Reading Garden. Fencing will be completed in October.

(3) Dunning Branch Library: 7455 West Cornelia on the Grounds of the Dever Public School

The contractor must complete one final punch list item. Application to the U.S. Green Building Council for a LEED Gold Certificate has not yet been made.



(4) **Little Village Branch Library: 2311 South Kedzie Avenue**

The 16,295 sq. ft. library is a replacement of the Marshall Square storefront facility. The library's AOR is Harley Ellis Deveraux.

The contractor is the George Sollitt Company with a joint venture partner, Oakley Construction. The project is funded through general obligation bonds.

The library was successfully opened to the public on Monday, October 3rd. A LEED Gold Certificate is anticipated.

III. **Projects in their Preconstruction Phase:**

(1) **Humboldt Park Branch Library Remodeling and Expansion:
1605 North Troy Street**

Expansion of the 5,000 sq. ft. branch will be financed through TIF funds. The AOR is the firm of Steven Rankin Associates, which was the AOR for the Toman Branch Library. The addition will include a YOUmedia for middle and high school students.

Architectural plans are complete. Color schemes and finish materials have been selected, in consultation between the architect and CPL administration. Site preparation was completed September 16th. The anticipated construction bid date is October 17th.

Alderman Maldonado and a local neighborhood advisory organization and friends group have reviewed the plans and are enthusiastically supportive of the expansion.

(2) **Edgewater Branch Library: 6414-16 North Broadway and
1210 West Elmdale Avenues**

The project's design is complete and the project has been issued for bid as of September 30th. The bid opening is scheduled for October 27th, with a probable November award. If this schedule is met, a first quarter 2013 construction completion would be possible.

Both the purchased two-story building, adjacent to the library, and the old library building have been demolished.



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Edgewater Branch Library (cont.):

An additional \$150,000 grant from the State Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity has been received. This funding must be expended on concrete/masonry project work. With this new grant, a total of \$850,000 in state grant funding is available to the project.

IV. Projects in their Planning Phase:

a. Whitney Young Branch Library: 7901 South King Drive

The current 11,000 sq. ft. building, constructed in 1972, is to be replaced by a 16,295 sq. ft. prototype building. Three adjacent lots have been acquired for the new facility. PBC has been awarded a USEPA Brownfields Clean Up Grant (\$600,000) and a IEPA remediation loan (\$1million). Site work for the remediation of the contaminated property will begin spring 2012 and extend 18-24 months. A second community meeting to discuss site remediation was held on August 16.

b. Daley Branch Library: 3400 South Halsted Street

The existing facility is to be replaced by a new prototype building of 16,295 sq. ft. The current site, as well as a purchased adjacent property will be used. Demolition of a city-owned furniture store has been completed.

Alderman Balcer has approved the use of TIF to construct the new library. Use of TIF will now need to be brought before the TIF Task Force and, with their approval, introduced to City Council for final authorization.

c. Albany Park: 5150 North Kimball Avenue

Mayor Emanuel and Alderman Laurino have approved the use of TIF to construct a new building and the City's TIF Task Force also approved the project on August 3. An ordinance and intergovernmental agreement between the City and PBC to pursue acquisition, design and construction was introduced to City Council on October 5th. The new library will be on its current site with additional lots to the west. Lohan Anderson has begun conceptual design documents.



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d. **Independence Branch Library: 3548 West Irving Park Road**

No funding is in place for construction. The CPL is evaluating funding options and land in consultation with Alderman Mell, Representative Mell, PBC and the community.

e. **Chinatown Branch Library: 2353 South Wentworth Avenue**

The PBC is evaluating available funding and land in consultation with Alderman Solis, Representative Dunkin, CDC, PBC and the community. The Community Development Committee has sought acquisition authority for property on the Southwest corner of Archer and Wentworth as the location for a future building.

f. **Back-of-the-Yards Branch Library: 4616-36 South Ashland & 4615 South Marshfield Avenues**

The existing leased shopping mall storefront closed permanently on 8/22/11 due to continued flooding and sewer backup into the branch. The long term plan to construct a new 16,295 sq. ft. building is contingent upon funding, however Department of Housing and Economic Development is in negotiation to purchase property for a future branch.

g. **Woodson Regional Library Façade: 9525 South Halsted Street**

The Board Facilities Committee, CPL and the Department of General Services, have reviewed the Rubinos & Mesia, Structural Engineers report of their onsite façade inspection of the structural steel and masonry. A recommended temporary repair for public safety purposes has been approved, funded by the Office of Budget & Management and DGS will implement this immediately. A permanent solution to the façade will be pursued, funding secured and the work implemented over the next year. A canopy will remain in place from the time of temporary repair through completion of the permanent solution work in order to keep pedestrians safely away from the façade along Halsted Street.

Morton Coburn
October 3, 2011



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**CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION
Report to the Board of Directors-Chicago Public Library
October 18, 2011**

The Chicago Public Library Foundation is pleased to deliver this report on revenue generated in the last month to enhance and augment the programs, collections and technology of the Chicago Public Library.

As you all know, on Thursday, October 20 we will celebrate a trio of anniversaries at the Carl Sandburg Literary Awards Dinner: the 25th Anniversary of the Chicago Public Library Foundation, the 20th Anniversary of the Harold Washington Library and the 10th Anniversary of our citywide reading program One Book, One Chicago. In an all-Chicago evening, honoring Pulitzer Prize winning Film Critic Roger Ebert and science writer Rebecca Skloot, we will pay tribute to our city's deep literary legacy with an author at every table. Joining us in a salute to the Chicago Public Library are 65 authors, representing the breadth of the Library's collections, who have-- and still do call Chicago home.

Among the writers who will be with us are One Book, One Chicago authors Sandra Cisneros, Stuart Dybek and Carl Smith; past 21st Century Award Winners Aleksandar Hemon, Blue Balliett, Theresa Schwegel, Patrick Somerville and Eula Biss; internationally admired novelists Elizabeth Berg, Sara Paretsky and Scott Turow; Apollo 13 Commander Jim Lovell; Former Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson; Political Commentators Clarence Page, Jonathan Alter, David Axelrod, Peter Sagal and Scott Simon; Composer and lead singer of the rock band STYX, Dennis DeYoung and Nobel Laureate in Physics Leon Lederman. Our Dinner Co-Chairs Margot and Tom Pritzker, Gigi Pritzker Pucker and Michael Pucker, Donna La Pietra and Dia Weil have put together an evening that will be long remembered.



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And now to the best news of all. Because of the outstanding programs and service of our Library, and with the leadership of our co-chairs, the generosity of our donors, headed by Lead Sponsor BMO Harris Bank and the hard work of members of the Foundation and Library Staff, we have set a fundraising record for the second year in a row. Our gross revenues now stand at more than \$1.2 million—and still climbing. Thanks to all of you who are supporting the Sandburg Dinner. We look forward to your enjoyment of a wonderful night in Chicago.

I'll take just an additional moment to report on additional support which has been received since late September. We are incredibly grateful to Allstate and BMO Harris Bank who have notified us of their plans to continue sponsorship of One Book, One Chicago with grants totaling \$200,000. We have also received a grant of \$15,000 from the CarMax Foundation for Teen Volume. And in honor of Commissioner Mary Dempsey being awarded recognition as Boeing's Game-Changer in Civic Affairs and Public Service for her leadership of YOUmedia, the Chicago Public Library Foundation will receive a grant of \$100,000 from Boeing in support of YOUmedia expansion and capacity building initiatives for the Library. Our congratulations once again to the Commissioner and to her entire team.



**Attachment D
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Resolution on Retirement

James Hardt

Board of Directors

028-2011

Whereas, James Hardt began his 24-year career at the Chicago Public Library as a Librarian I at the former Bridgeport Branch storefront library on August 17, 1987; and

Whereas, Mr. Hardt was promoted to Librarian II in January 1989; and

Whereas, Mr. Hardt was an integral member of the library team involved in the move of the Bridgeport Branch to the new Richard J. Daley Branch, which opened for public service on February 1, 1989; and

Whereas, Mr. Hardt advanced to the position of Librarian III in 1991; and

Whereas, Mr. Hardt's dedication to public service and increasing experience led to his promotion to Librarian IV, Branch Manager of the Richard J. Daley Branch on January 1, 1993; and

Whereas, Mr. Hardt oversaw many successful years of library service at the Richard J. Daley Branch, where he supervised and mentored highly-successful staff members; and

Whereas, Mr. Hardt retired from the Chicago Public Library on September 30, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to James Hardt for his 24 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to him its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 18th day of October 2011.



**Attachment E
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**Resolution on Retirement
Michael P. Agic
Board of Directors**

029-2011

Whereas, Michael Agic began his career with the Chicago Public Library in November of 2004 as a Page at the Richard J. Daley Branch; and

Whereas, Mr. Agic was promoted to Children's Associate on November 20, 2006 at the Archer Heights Branch; and

Whereas, in addition to providing excellent reference service, Mr. Agic was responsible for children's programming, provide input to juvenile collection development, school outreach, overseeing juvenile volunteers, creating displays and bulletin boards; and

Whereas, Mr. Agic retired from the Chicago Public Library on October 14, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Michael Agic for his 7 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to him its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 18th day of October 2011.



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Resolution on Retirement

Thomas R. Edwards

Board of Directors

030-2011

Whereas, Thomas Edwards began his 20 year career at the Chicago Public Library as a Librarian I in the Business/Science/Technology Division on September 9, 1991; and

Whereas, Mr. Edwards became an invaluable subject specialist in business reference and managed the business collection in the areas of management and transportation for the Harold Washington Library Center; and

Whereas, in January 1993, Mr. Edwards was responsible for maintaining the business curio file, Crain's Top Business Lists, and the hard copy company annual reports collection; and

Whereas, Mr. Edwards assisted with career workshops for out of work professionals and former welfare recipients in the nineties; and

Whereas, among his other duties in 1998, Mr. Edwards edited the Business/Science/Technology Division's Career and Company information pages on the Chicago Public Library's website; and

Whereas, Mr. Edwards taught classes to fellow Business/Science/Technology colleagues on how to locate business information through the Chicago Public Library's Staff and Organization Development Division from January 2000 through December 2001; and

Whereas, Mr. Edwards transferred to the Back of the Yards Branch in March 2001 where he worked as an adult reference librarian and Acting Branch Manager from September 2001 through October 2002; and

Whereas, during Mr. Edwards taught the Back of the Yards branch's first one-on-one computer classes and was solely responsible for the Back of the Yards presentation of the Chicago Public Library's first One Book, One Chicago selection in October of 2001; and



Thomas R. Edwards

Whereas, Mr. Edwards was promoted to Librarian II in September 2003 and served under that title in the Government Publications Department where he was responsible for providing reference service and assigning subject heading to each new article in the large neighborhood clippings file in the Municipal Reference Collection; and

Whereas, One of Mr. Edwards' major accomplishments was to clean up and make current the long neglected Continuations Collection in the Government Publications and Documents division; and

Whereas, in January 2006, Mr. Edwards was promoted to First Assistant/Librarian III of the Vodak-East Side Branch where he provided reference service, assisted with the maintenance of the adult collection, attended many community meetings/events, presented small business workshops and helped facilitate several *Money Smarts* programs; and

Whereas, Mr. Edwards served on the Board of Directors of the Southeast Environmental Task Force in 2007 and also on the Board of Directors of the East Side Chamber of Commerce during 2008 and 2009; and

Whereas, Mr. Edwards served as Acting Branch Manager for the Vodak East-Side Branch from July 2009 to December 2009; and

Whereas, Mr. Edwards is most proud having served as the moderator of three monthly adult book discussions over a period of more than five years reading a different title at each meeting and reading every book cover to cover sometimes requiring that he be involved to a varying degree with six different titles at any given time; and

Whereas, Mr. Edwards retired from his long and productive service as a librarian of the Chicago Public Library on September 30, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Thomas Edwards for his 20 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to him its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 18th day of October 2011



**Attachment G
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Resolution on Retirement

Ruth Jarrett

Board of Directors

031-2011

Whereas, Ruth Jarrett began her 19 year career at the Chicago Public Library as a Part-Time Library Associate in the Children's Department at the Blackstone Branch on June 8, 1992; and

Whereas, Ms. Jarrett transferred to the Children's Department at the Whitney Young Branch on June 10, 1995; and

Whereas, Ms. Jarrett transferred to the Children's Department of the South Shore Branch on July 10, 1995; and

Whereas, Ms. Jarrett was promoted to a full-time Library Associate in the Adult Department at the South Shore Branch on August 1, 1998; and

Whereas, Ms. Jarrett was transferred to the Brainerd Branch in January 2, 2010 where she planned and implemented programs for senior citizens; and

Whereas, Ms. Jarrett's experience as a former elementary school teacher became an invaluable asset as she served hundreds of children and young adults; and

Whereas, Ms. Jarrett implemented and presented programs to seniors of the Brainerd Branch community; and

Whereas, Ms. Jarrett retired from her long and productive service as a Library Associate of the Chicago Public Library on September 30, 2011.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Ms. Ruth Jarrett for her 19 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to her its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 18th day of October 2011.



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**Resolution on Retirement
Sheila McGovern
Board of Directors**

032-2011

Whereas, Ms. Sheila McGovern began her CPL career in June, 1974 taking a summer job as a junior library clerk at Logan Square; and

Whereas, Ms. McGovern continued to serve the public as a Library Aide at Logan Square from September 1974 through May 1977, while also attending college; and

Whereas, Ms. McGovern began her long career as a district office administrative assistant working first in the Northeast District Office from 1978-1996, and then in the North District Office from 1996 to September, 2011; and

Whereas, over the years Ms. McGovern's efficient and helpful ways were recognized and appreciated by all who worked with her. In 1991 she received the Friends of the Chicago Public Library "Support Service Staff" Award, and in 2004, she received the Chicago Public Library Board of Directors "Outstanding Support Service Staff Member" award; and

Whereas, Ms. McGovern participated on the 1993 Models of Excellence Project Team for Total Quality Management; and

Whereas, Ms. McGovern generously gave of her time to coordinate the annual holiday "Adopt-A-Family" program for the north district, doing most of the shopping, wrapping, and even delivering the gifts to the families; and

Whereas, Ms. McGovern faced an endless variety of challenges and tasks every day with unflappable calm and patient good humor, especially in talking to concerned patrons; and

Whereas, Ms. McGovern's incredible memory and filing system made her an inexhaustible source of essential information that everyone else only vaguely remembered; and

Whereas, Ms. McGovern was always upbeat and encouraging in fulfilling her responsibilities, no matter how many times she was asked about procedures and forms; and



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Whereas, Ms. McGovern's skill as an expert in grammar and proofreading was valued throughout the system; and

Whereas, Ms. McGovern retired from the Chicago Public Library on September 30, 2011, after more than 36 years of exemplary public service to the citizens of Chicago.

Therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library does hereby offer its sincere thanks to Ms. Sheila McGovern for her more than 36 years of dedicated service to the Chicago Public Library and to the people of Chicago and extends to her its congratulations and best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Adopted this 18th day of October 2011.