

**THE FERGUSON LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
November 13, 2001**

Present:

Board Members: T. Cassone, Chair; P. Broom; J. James;
H. Romanowitz; D. Russell; W. Warrick

Citizen Advisers: D. Taber; K. Sample

Staff: E. DiMattia; A. Knapp; M. Tremlett

Mr. Cassone presided.

Minutes:

The minutes of the September 24, 2001 meeting were approved as presented.

President's Report

Mr. DiMattia reviewed his September and October reports, noting in particular the complex duties of a reference librarian and highlights from Hispanic Heritage Month programs. Mr. DiMattia then introduced Ms. Knapp, Director of Public Services, and Ms. Tremlett, Supervisor of the Weed Branch and Bookmobile, who reported on the numerous activities at the Weed Branch.

Treasurer's Report

Ms. Broom presented the results of the Library's financial operations for the first four months of the fiscal year. The interim negative variance for the period is attributed to several factors, especially the difference in timing between budgeted and actual expenditures.

Executive Committee

Mr. Cassone reported that the Executive Committee met and reviewed various Board agenda items.

Friends of Ferguson:

Mrs. Sample reported on the financial health of the Friends. This past year, membership dues brought in \$20,000 and the Bookstores netted \$46,000. She also announced the first author for the annual Book and Author luncheon – Mary Ann Hoberman.

New Business

Mr. DiMattia discussed the proposed 2002-2003 Capital Budget. The following are listed in priority order: the Computer network upgrade (replacing and adding terminals), Main Library restoration, Weed addition, Furniture (Main Library), HVAC (Main Library), Roof replacement (Main Library), Computer System infrastructure, Façade restoration (Main Library, and Self check-out stations. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Capital Budget as submitted.

Mr. Cassone reviewed the appointment of Citizen Advisers and Committee members for 2001-2002. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Citizen Adviser appointments as presented, as well as the members of the 2001 – 2002 Nominating Committee.

Mr. Cassone reported on half of the 2000-2001 Nominating Committee, presenting Robert King for a five-year term 2001-2006, to succeed Theodore E. Payne. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve this nomination.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Juanita T. James
Secretary