Meeting minutes of the Board of Trustees for the University City Public Library for
March 11, 2020

Members present: Joan Greco-Cohen, Dorothy Davis, Aren Ginsberg, Jerrold Lander, Edmund Acosta, Aleta Porter Klein, Helen Nelling

Members absent: LaTrice Johnson, Rubina Stewart-McCadney

City Council Liaison: Tim Cusick

Library staff: Patrick Wall—Director, Cindy Deichmann
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The meeting was called to order at 5:22 pm by Joan Greco-Cohen, President, following roll call.

Minutes — The minutes from the February 12, 2020 meeting were approved at 5:23 pm. Motion made by Helen Nelling, seconded by Dorothy Davis.

Correspondence — Kerry Bruce, Head of Circulation, received a nice note from a patron and a $25 gift card from Starbucks to share with the staff.

Council Liaison report — Council has no hard information about the Loop Trolley resuming operations. The Stormwater Task Force is going to become a commission. The Historic Preservation Committee voted against approving TriStar's use of the Delmar Harvard site for a hotel because they want the site used for education, but they cannot block construction so TriStar is working with the City's Planning department. Novus is still working on land acquisition and financing for the I-170 development. The Green Practice Commission has designated Saturday April 18 as Bring Your Own Bag Day.

Librarian's Report — The Library received a Sunshine Law request for all documentation regarding a signed contract for a lease bond. The Library has no such contract, so Patrick Wall is continuing to respond to the person who submitted the request. Patrick will meet with Erick Creach, the Library's bond counsel, on March 13.

Discussion Items
    Building renovation — Possible locations to use during construction include a space in the same building as the Schnucks on Olive, which has ample parking and a good price, and possibly a location farther west on Olive, which has potential accessibility issues. The Library plans to have computers, popular titles, storytime space, and a circulation desk in the public space, plus office space. The Building and Grounds committee needs to plan a meeting.
    Coronavirus — Library staff are disinfecting high-traffic surfaces more often, including the public computer stations. Patrick Wall proposed a modified leave policy to pay part-time people their normal number of hours for up to 2 weeks if they need to stay home due to

coronavirus illness or quarantine. This policy cannot be voted on until next month but will be used if necessary before that time.

Action Items —
       Moving the Library's HVAC system to the roof — Approved at 5:53 pm; motion made by Aren Ginsberg, seconded by Aleta Porter Klein.
       Contract for masonry work — cleaning and sealing, with some to be repaired and some replaced; the company was recommended by Bond Architects. Approved at 6:37 pm; motion made by Jerrold Lander, seconded by Aren Ginsberg.
       Invoices — Approved payment of all invoices presented at 6:39 pm; motion made by Aren Ginsberg, seconded by Helen Nelling.

President's Report — Joan Greco-Cohen reported on the trip to Jefferson City on Legislative Day to meet with our state representatives and senator. Helen Nelling, Patrick Wall, and Kathleen Gallagher also attended.

Committee Reports
       Budget and Finance — Will meet on April 8. Joan Greco-Cohen appointed Edmund Acosta and Dorothy Davis to join the committee.
       Building and Grounds — Will schedule their next meeting via Doodle poll.
       Long-Range Planning — No report.
       Personnel and Policy — Need to meet before the next Board meeting; will schedule via Doodle poll

New Business — LaTrice Johnson is interested in remote participation in meetings, as she has difficulty attending. Rubina Stewart-McCadney has not yet told the City Clerk that she is resigning and so a replacement has not yet been appointed.

The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, April 8, 2020, at 5:15 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm. Motion made by Jerrold Lander, seconded by Helen Nelling.