SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

I. PUBLIC COMMENT:

A. Public Comment: None

II. PRESENTATION: Book Talking

FCPL staff visit local schools to kick off the Summer Reading Program. Erin Guyer (Patrick Henry Library), Vicki Corcoran (Richard Byrd Library), Bonnie Bochert (Tysons-Pimmit Library) and Jill Burgard (Martha Washington Library) provided book talks for the trustees.

III. MINUTES:

Ms. Millhouser moved to approve the May minutes, and Mr. Russell seconded it. After a friendly amendment to change the word “memorialized” to “published” on page three, the motion to approve the minutes passed unanimously.

IV. CHAIR’S REPORT – No Report

V. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Library Foundation: Fran Millhouser – The Foundation elected a new chair. Four MLS scholarships were awarded.

B. Finance Committee: No report.

C. Public Relations Committee: Shelia Janega – Ms. Janega challenged the Library Board to join the Adult Summer Reading Program.

D. Ad Hoc Policy Committee: No report.

E. Nominating Committee: Sheila Janega and Suzanne Levy - nomination for chair is Miriam Smolen and vice chair is Fran Millhouser. No more nominations were added. Mr. Rosenthal made the motion to approve, it was seconded by Mr. Russell, the motion to accept the new chair and vice chair passed unanimously.

VI. DIRECTORS REPORT: Christine Jones (Deputy Director)

A. Great American Read program and grant

The Reston Regional Library is the proud recipient of a “Great American Read” programming grant, cosponsored by the American Library Association and PBS. The Reston Regional Library is one of 50 libraries nationwide to receive the grant to host programs around the television series. The Reston branch has the support of and will be working with the local PBS station, WETA. Congratulations to Ha Hoang, Assistant Branch Manager of the Reston branch, who applied for this grant!

B. Instagram
FCPL is ready to get social with one of the most popular platforms around...Instagram! You can expect photos of books in all of their glory, lightning book talks and even some behind the scenes looks at some of our most popular programs! Find us at @fairfaxlibrary and don’t forget to follow us for exciting new content.

C. **Summer Reading Adventure**
Join Fairfax County Public Library this summer in our mission to create lifelong learners with our Summer Reading Adventure. Did you know that students who don’t have access to recreational reading materials and educational opportunities during the summer months have lower reading achievement scores during the school year? Children who experience the “summer slide” are three grade levels behind by the end of elementary school and many never close the achievement gap. The good news is that keeping academic skills sharp during the summer doesn’t have to be a boring chore for kids and parents don’t need to spend hundreds of dollars on summer activities. Participating in our Summer Reading Adventure encourages kids to read for fun in any format or genre and allows them to explore their interests and passions through books and by attending engaging library programs—all for free. FCPL has something to offer every child in your family, from board books for infants to makerspaces for teens. We hope to see you in our library branches this summer! Programming and prizes are available for adults as well; just check our print calendar of events to see everything that’s going on!

D. **For Love of Country Essay Contest**
FCPL is participating again in an essay contest for 7th, 8th and 9th graders cosponsored with the For Love of Country Foundation.

E. **Memory Depot Opened at Sherwood Regional Library and the City of Fairfax Library.**

F. **Celebrate Fairfax was a huge success.**

G. **The Library thanked Michael Donovan for his five years of service to the Library Board of Trustees. Mr. Donovan expressed his appreciation to the Board.**

**VII. ROUNDTABLE:**

Ms. Levy - She attended the volunteer luncheon at the City of Fairfax Library. Ms. Levy talked about Enoch Pratt’s recent decision to stop charging overdue fines. Libraries that have eliminated overdue fines have discovered that more books are returned.

Mr. Rosenthal – Mr. Rosenthal asked what they should do with the information they received during the book talk. Mr. Donovan said that it was just for informative purposes. Mr. Rosenthal asked about the incentive to return books if overdue fines are eliminated.

Mr. Russell – He attended the volunteer lunch at Sherwood and Martha Washington libraries. He was very impressed hearing all the statistics about how many hours and tasks volunteers complete.
Ms. Janega – She encourages everyone to look into the Great American Read at the Reston Regional Library.

Ms. Miscavage – She thanked Mr. Donovan for serving on the Library Board.

Ms. Millhouser – She also thanked Mr. Donovan. She mentioned that there was a flood at the Thomas Jefferson Library, staff and customers worked together to save books from damage.

Mrs. Pekarsky – She attended the volunteer lunches at her branches. She attended a meeting called the Successful Children and Youth Policy Team, where Opportunity Neighborhood gave a presentation which sang the praises of the library.

Mr. Rosenthal – He asked a question about the funding cycle and talking to the supervisors’ offices to receive more funds. He would like the board to talk to their supervisors and let them know all the services the library offers. Mr. Donovan said the finance committee formally asks for an increase to the budget, but all trustees can individually talk to their supervisors. The Library Board and the Board of Supervisors will have a joint meeting in September.

Mr. Russell made a motion to adjourn the meeting, it was seconded by Ms. Miscavage. Mr. Donovan adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted:  

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Jessica Hudson
Library Director

Approved:  

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Michael Donovan, Acting Chair
FCPL, Board of Trustees