

# HPL minutes

Holyoke Public Library 144th Annual Meeting		
10.15.2014	4:00pm	Holyoke Public Library
Present	<i>Board Members:</i> Terry Plum, Jeremy Smith, Bellamy Schmidt, Manuel Frau-Ramos, George Mettey, Susan Carey, Joan Steiger, Sandy Ward <i>Library Director</i> Maria Pagan	
Not Present	Patrick Leahy, Janet Stupak, Tom Barrett	
Facilitator	Terry Plum	
Note taker	Jeremy Smith	
Previous meeting minutes	<b>Approved</b>	

## REPORTS

President's Report	
Terry Plum	
Discussion	The president thanked current and past staff, board members, FDA and Friends of the Library.
<p>The president reviewed several building issues including the air conditioning, roof leaks, peeling paint, the rain garden in the parking lot, and shelves in front of the clock in the teen room. The air conditioning is being worked on. The leaks are a non-issue and have been addressed. The peeling paint is being looked into. Shelves are now in front of the clock in the teen room to protect the antique clock.</p>	
<p>The Community Development Block Grant for the park continues to progress and landscaping work will begin in the Spring 2015.</p>	

Treasurer's/Long Term Finance Report	
George Mettey	
Discussion	The library endowment is in good shape. We have paid off the City loan. Overall it was a very good year for the library.

Director's Report	
Maria Pagan	
Discussion	The Director reviewed community room use, services for children, teens, and adults from the past year.

## Nominating Committee

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Manuel Frau Ramos & Susan Carey		
Discussion	<p>The Nominating Committee reviewed the biographical information for Miguel Vasquez, the Nominating Committee's recommended candidate for the vacant Member Director slot on the Board.</p> <p>Miguel Vasquez is a Banking Center Manager for Bank of America at the Holyoke Mall. Miguel has been in the financial services industry the past 5 years with the last 2 being in management and prior to that as a financial services associate. After graduating Holyoke High School in 2009 Miguel began his post secondary education with the University of Phoenix where in 2013 he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Business with a minor in accounting, and continued onward to completing his Master's Degree in Business Administration with a minor in finances. Miguel has been a resident of Holyoke since 2001, and enjoys volunteering in local community events especially in bringing financial education to the local schools in the area. He hopes to continue using his business expertise to help inspire the community towards financial independence.</p>	
<p>The Nominating Committee has been in touch with another potential Board member to recommend to the Mayor to fill the vacant City Director slot. She has not yet committed so there will be more information later.</p>		
<p>The Nominating Committee has recommended the re-election of four of seven current member-directors and recommends the election of one new member, Miguel Vasquez. They are also recommending that four of the members be elected for 2 years.</p> <p><b>Susan Carey</b> for 2 years  <b>Terry Plum</b> for 2 years  <b>Tom Barrett</b> for 2 years  <b>Joan Steiger</b> for 2 years</p>		
<b>Motion</b>	Person Responsible	Second
That the Board accepts Miguel Vasquez's nomination to the board. <b>Approved</b>	Manuel Frau Ramos	Susan Carey
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That the Corporators re-appoint Tom Barrett, Susan Carey, Terry Plum, and Joan Steiger <b>Approved</b>	Susan Carey	Sandy Ward
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Motion made and seconded to adjourn at 4:45pm.