

**MINUTES**  
**LAS VEGAS-CLARK COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**LAS VEGAS, NEVADA**  
**September 8, 2005**  
**(approved October 11, 2005)**

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Las Vegas-Clark County Library District met in the West Las Vegas Library, Las Vegas, Nevada, at 4:30 p.m., Thursday, September 8, 2005.

**Present:** Board: E. Sanchez, Chair  
V. Davis-Hoggard, Member  
K. Benavidez, Member  
A. Arthurholtz, Member

Counsel: G. Welt

Staff: Daniel L. Walters, Executive Director  
Numerous Staff

Chair E. Sanchez, called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

**Roll Call** As listed above.

**Agenda** Chair Sanchez moved to approve the Agenda as proposed. There was no opposition and the motion carried.

**Possible discussion and direction to staff regarding planning for future Board agenda topics, and possible discussion and direction to Board committees on future committee tasks. No action will be taken. (Item III.A.)**

Chair Sanchez asked the Executive Committee members if any of them would like to change committee assignments held previously. She and Trustee Arthurholtz voiced their desire to continue on their current committees and to serve on the Employee/Management Relations Committee as well. At the full Board meeting, the question will again be asked of all the Trustees.

Executive Director Walters distributed a list of topics for consideration at future Board meetings before discussing the proposed agenda topics.

Walters told the committee that if the normal audit schedule is accelerated and finalized prior to the October meeting, the Finance & Audit Committee can review the proposed audit the same day of the Board meeting and, if there are no substantive changes, be able to recommend its acceptance to the Board. Having that completed, the November meeting could be structured to focus on capital project planning. If, however, the audit and financial statements cannot be produced in time for the October meeting, the audit will be presented at the November meeting as in previous years.

Continuing with discussion regarding the proposed topics for the October meeting, CFO Fred James will present preliminary information on projections of available revenue, including any additional transfer at the close of the FY 04-05 audit, and indicate whether additional

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transfers are likely in future years considering the new revenue projections based on the new property tax cap.

General Services Director Steve Rice will present information on the escalating construction costs for completion of Centennial Hills Library, efficiency projects such as circulation desk remodels and combined service desks that will produce large long term cost savings and other proposed projects. It is recommended that the Centennial Hills project be designated as the branch to replace Green Valley Library.

Depending on whether the audit is presented at the October meeting, the November meeting would be exclusively set aside as a Capital Planning Retreat and held on November 17, instead of the usual second Thursday of the month. It would be held off-site, if preferred by the Board. Topics to be considered are: recommendation of desirable design/construction schedule; implication of III planning, RFID.

A determination must be made soon regarding whether to proceed with construction of Centennial Hills in light of costs, even though it can't open to the public until January, 2009. If moving forward, an architect would be selected and a construction budget would be determined. Other questions to be discussed include whether funds should be borrowed for short-term to augment the construction budget.

Executive Director Walters noted that estimate work that was done for the bond issue has been updated and completed by G. C. Wallace. Based on discussions with existing contractors and looking at bid proposals for new libraries, a library that would cost \$5-6 million twenty months ago is now closer to \$10 million and that is if construction on it were started today. It has been said that our valley is entering into its busiest construction period in the history of Las Vegas. If the project is put off for too long, there won't be enough money to build a new library. A preliminary presentation on this issue will be given at the October meeting and an in-depth discussion is on the agenda for the November meeting.

Walters also proposed that at the October Board meeting, the Centennial Hills site be formally designated as the site to replace Green Valley Library. The November meeting would include a more detailed presentation which could have a schedule of major benchmarks to develop a timeline for future undertakings.

Committee members agreed to ask the full Board at its October meeting to designate Centennial Hills to replace Green Valley.

**Announcements  
(Item IV.)**

None

**Public Comment  
(Item V.)**

None

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**Adjournment (Item VI.)** The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Sanchez, Committee Chair