Durham County Library Board of Trustees Tuesday, November 11, 2008 Main Library Auditorium

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Call to Order: Chair Al Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M.

<u>Roll Call</u>: Mr. Roberts did a visual roll call. Present: Marian Dillahunt-Andrews, Joe Hewitt, Allan Lang, Al Roberts, Michael Schoenfeld, Joyce Sykes and Elsa Woods, Trustees; Rev. Michael Page, BOCC Liaison; and Dr. Wendell Musser, Friends of the Library Liaison.

Also Present: Aftab Ahmed, Jean Amelang, Skip Auld, Anastasia Bush, Rheda Epstein, Lakesia Farmer, Catherine Mau, Joyce McNeill, Gina Rozier and Alice Sharpe, Library staff; Jeff Anton, Friends of the Library; Placide Barada, Bessie Carrington, Bonnie Cox, Bill Joklik and Steve Pike, Durham Library Foundation; Bill Ash and Chris Brasier, Smith Group; Peri Manns, Ademola Shobande and Glen Whisler, County Engineering; and Ken Berger, Noreen Cullen and Jennifer Pratt, Guests.

Absent: Tatia Ash and Mohammad Rashdi, Trustees

<u>Approval of the Agenda</u>: The agenda was unanimously approved as written with a motion by Mr. Lang. Mr. Hewitt seconded the motion.

<u>Approval of Minutes of October 14, 2008</u>: The minutes were approved as written. The motion to approve was made by Mr. Lang and seconded by Ms. Sykes.

Mr. Roberts welcomed new Trustee, Michael Schoenfeld.

**INTRODUCTION OF PROJECT TEAM MEMBERS**: Mr. Auld introduced the architects for the Main Library Study and representatives from County Engineering who were present. Following a brief overview of the Main Library Study, Mr. Auld turned the program over to Chris Brasier.

Mr. Brasier and Mr. Ash gave a presentation about the Main Library Programming & Planning Study. Following the presentation, Mr. Whisler gave details about the project's budget and timeline and opened the floor for questions.

Some are the highlights of the presentation were: In early 2009, the Planning & Programming Study team will present its report to the Board of County Commissioners. A great library renovation project is planned, with a new entrance facing Liberty Street and many more windows. That'll mean much daylight throughout the building. The central stairwells and elevators in the interior of the building will be demolished in order to re-floor the second and third levels and create vast, flexible, open spaces throughout. There will be a new lobby at the Liberty Street entrance and space for an art gallery.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm after a motion by Mr. Lang and a second by Ms. Woods.

Respectfully submitted,

Lakesia W. Farmer Executive Assistant

**NEXT MEETINGS**: January 13, 2009 (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room) and February 10, 2009 (1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium)