

TCPL Special Board Meeting
February 22nd, 2019

Present: Lora Goonewardene, Mary Springer, Brandon Hawkins, Dave Lahr, and Stephen Bultinck

Absent: Mida Grover and Gail Summers

Guests: Jos N. Holman

Board President Lora Goonewardene called the meeting to order at 4:11 p.m.

The primary topic of the meeting was to further discuss the status of the South branch project. Under the heading of **New Business**, Facilities Committee Chair Brandon Hawkins provided detailed information from Kettelhut Construction, Inc. on the projected construction costs for the South branch. Mr. Hawkins also mentioned a few of the conclusions reached at the February 13th committee meeting. The Board thoroughly discussed pertinent factors associated with understanding specific cost areas of the construction project.

Under the heading of **Other Business**, Board members discussed the funding streams for the South branch and the yet uncommitted response from the TCPL Foundation. The County Librarian recommended an amount of \$300,000 be requested of the Foundation. Additional dollars for the project can be available from TCPL's Rainy Day fund. These dollars would come through an additional appropriation process approved by the Tiptecanoe County Council.

After additional discussion, there was Board consensus to move ahead with the project. Board Secretary Steve Bultinck made a motion for the Board to proceed with the accepted bids for the South branch, subject to getting answers from Kettelhut on several specific questions and also subject to a review of the final Guaranteed Maximum Price. Board Treasurer Dave Lahr seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Mr. Bultinck moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. Mr. Hawkins seconded the motion and it carried.