Minutes of the
ALAMEDA FREE LIBRARY BOARD
April 13, 2005

The regular meeting of the Alameda Free Library Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:	Leslie Krongold, President Karen Butter, Board Member Mark Schoenrock, Board Member Alan Mitchell, Board Member
Absent:	Ruth Belikove, Board Member
Staff:	Library Director Susan Hardie, Secretary Jenna Gaber, Recording Secretary

CONSENT CALENDAR

Board member Butter MOVED approval of the Consent Calendar. Board member Mitchell SECONDED the motion which CARRIED by a unanimous voice vote.

An asterisk indicates items so enacted and adopted on the Consent Calendar.

A. *Report from Library Director highlighting Library Department activities for the month of April 2005. Accepted.

B. *Draft Minutes of the Regular Library Board meeting of March 9, 2005. Approved.

C. *Annual Library Services Report for 2004. Accepted with revised second page.

D. *Library Services Report for the month of February 2005. Accepted.

E. *Report from Finance Department reflecting FY 2003-04 Library expenditures (by fund) through February 2005. Accepted.

F. *Bills for ratification. Approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. None.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Donor Recognition and Named Gifts.

President Krongold made a MOTION to accept the Resolution as stated. Board member Mitchell SECONDED.

> *Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of the Alameda Free Library that the Board hereby approves the "Donor Recognition and Named Gifts" policy, and recommends its adoption by the City Council of Alameda.*

Board member Butter handed out a revised policy and the Board discussed the changes that were made. Ms. Butter stated that the changes simply reflected wording changes to make it more precise in their meaning. The Board wants to encourage donations but also ensure the appropriateness of the gift. With the Library Foundation, the Board will develop guidelines as to how the recognition of the gift will be given.

President Krongold MOVED acceptance of the amendment. Board member Butter SECONDED the motion.

Board member Mitchell MOVED to approve the Resolution as modified. Board member Butter SECONDED the motion which CARRIED by a unanimous voice vote.

B. Library Building Team (M. Hartigan)

In the absence of Mr. Haritgan, Board member Butter stated that the Library Building Team received a report from Project Manager Bob Haun. The Team had many questions regarding the budget. The team also discussed LEED certification for the new main library project. Street closures will be starting next week and the Team is anxious to notify citizens before the closures.

C. Alameda Free Library Foundation (R. Belikove)

In the absence of Vice President Belikove, Library Director Hardie stated that the Foundation's capital campaign will not being until fall of this year.

D. Friends of the Alameda Free Library (M. Skeen)

Molly Skeen reported that the Friends of the Library will fund the Teen Summer Reading Program this year. The next booksale will be the last weekend in June at the "O" Club at Alameda Point.

E. Library Building Watch (L. Krongold)

President Krongold stated that Library Building Watch is not currently meeting. The newsletter will go out the following week with news about author events at the library, street closures from construction of the new facility and the new library logo.

F. Patron suggestions/comments (Speak-Outs) and Library Director's response.

Library Director Hardie responded to 13 input/feedback forms regarding: Please purchase more *Learn to Speak Italian* CD's; purchase the *Book of Joe;* will you be expanding the DVD collection; the "Hold" service the library provides is wonderful; the turnstiles do not work effectively with strollers; why aren't new books coming in faster like they use to; when is the next Harry Potter book coming out; what is WIFI; please move another "catalog only" computer downstairs; can you list DVD's and video titles in a separate category on the library database; and, please bring back a pay phone for emergency use.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, NON-AGENDA (Public Comment)

Marc Lambert reminded the Board members that Legislative Day in Sacramento is one week from today.

LIBRARY BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Board member Mitchell referred to an article in *Library Hotline* and asked if the Library had an emergency plan in place.

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Library Director Hardie reported that April 29th is *Meet Your Public Officials Day*. She noted that the installation of the Library's new software system has been installed and is going well; however, not all of the capabilities of the system are working yet.

ADJOURNMENT

Board member Mitchell MOVED to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Board member Butter SECONDED the motion which CARRIED by a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Hardie, Secretary