Members Present: Diane Allen, Shawn Iles (sworn in as new Trustee at beginning of the meeting), Margaret Lurie, Vaishali Patel, Michael Tannen, Benjamin Schapiro, Leora Siegel, and Sandra Smith

Members Absent: Tori Foreman

Staff: Karen Danczak Lyons, Paul Gottschalk, Marcy Jenkins

Presiding Member: Michael Tannen, President

CALL TO ORDER/DECLARATION OF QUORUM - A quorum was present and President Tannen called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

CITIZEN COMMENT - None

INFORMATION/COMMUNICATIONS – None

NEW BUSINESS

A. FY2015 Proposed Budget Discussion (Karen Danczak Lyons)

Director Danczak Lyons presented the overview and details of the Library’s Proposed Base Budget of expenditures for 2015 totaling $6,326,054 (representing an increase of $413,081 or +7.0% vs. 2014’s approved Budget of $5,912,973).

The 2015 projections reflected wage and benefit increases, the cost of medical insurance for seven employees newly eligible for coverage under the Affordable Care Act, new allowances for potential resignation/sick leave/vacation payouts, the addition of a paid Volunteer Coordinator position, promotion of the Administrative Services Manager to Assistant Director, funding a 2015 Storytelling Festival and replacing certain equipment and furnishings.

The Budget incorporated mandatory Affordable Care adjustments and assumed that the Library would be occupying space in the Robert Crown Center in November-December, 2015, and would need to be staffed appropriately for the new location.

The Director also presented a list of Recommended Adjustments totaling and
additional $305,638 in expenses to the Proposed Base Budget, primarily earmarked to improving service levels, and update additional equipment/improve the physical plant.

The Board had opportunities to discuss the budget assumptions and ask questions.

The revenue portion of the budget will be presented at the regularly scheduled September 17 Board Meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT** Sandra Smith moved to adjourn the meeting, Benjamin Schapiro seconded the motion, and motion passed on a voice vote. Adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret B. Lurie, Secretary

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, September 17, 2014 at 6:30 pm in EPL Board Room