Present: Jim Posch, Rob Fischer, Ron Holland, Abby Botnick, Rick Ortmeyer, Jeffrey Eummer, Jim Roosa,

Also present: Director Nancy Levin and Deputy Director Kim DeNero-Ackroyd

CERTIFICATION AND NOTIFICATION
The Finance Manager certified that notification of the regular meeting of the Board of Library Trustees had been made.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE – MR. FISCHER
The Board discussed the resolution for the Library’s levy that the School Board must place on the agenda for their July 8 meeting. Mr. Ortmeyer will present the Library’s PowerPoint presentation to the Board.

RESOLUTION 28-14

Board of Trustees
Cleveland Heights–University Heights Public Library
The Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, Cuyahoga County, Ohio met in regular session on July 2, 2014 with the following members present:

James Posch, Rick Ortmeyer, Jeffrey Eummer, James Roosa, Rob Fischer, Ron Holland, Abby Botnick

Rob Fischer introduced the following resolution and moved its passage:

Resolution requesting the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, Cuyahoga County, to submit to the electors of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, the question of an additional continuous tax for the operations of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library.

R.C. Sections 5705.03, 5705.23

Additional Continuous Tax

Whereas, The Board of Trustees (the “Board”) of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library, the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, Cuyahoga County, Ohio (the “Library”) is a board of library trustees appointed pursuant to Section 3375.15, Ohio Revised Code and is a board of library trustees described in Section 3375.32, Ohio Revised Code; and

Whereas, there exist three continuous levies for the operation of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library, these being passed in 1992 (4.0 mills), 2000 (1.9 mills) and 2008 (1.9 mills); and

Whereas, the Board has determined that the revenue raised by the existing levies is insufficient to adequately provide for the operating expenses of the public library and that it is necessary to levy a continuous tax under Section 5705.23, Ohio Revised Code, for the operating expenses of the Library; and

Whereas, the Cuyahoga County Auditor has certified that the above referenced tax will generate $2,386,475 during the first year of collection, based on the current assessed valuation of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District of $1,084,761,490.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights Public Library, of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, all the members thereof concurring, that:

Section 1. The Board of Library Trustees in Resolution 27-14 declared the necessity of presenting to the voters an additional levy of 2.2 mills for a continuing period of time, the proceeds of which levy would be available to the Board of Library Trustees in calendar year 2015, and the Board of Library Trustees declared
that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten mill limitation by levies on the current tax duplicate will be sufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements for the operating expenses of the Library.

Section 2. Accordingly, the Board of Education of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, the taxing authority to whose jurisdiction the Board is subject, is hereby requested to submit to the electors of the of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, the question of an additional tax for the operating expenses of the Library at an election to be held therein on November 4, 2014.

Section 3. Such tax levy shall be continuous at a rate not exceeding 2.2 mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to $0.22 (twenty-two cents) for each one hundred dollars of valuation.

Section 4. Such tax levy shall be placed upon the tax list and duplicate for the current tax year if a majority of the electors voting thereon vote in favor thereof.

Section 5. The Board finds, determines and declares that the levy of the tax, if approved by the electors, is necessary to the proper furnishing and rendering of free public library services in the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District, for the residents of the Cleveland Heights-University Heights City School District.

Section 6. The Fiscal Officer of the Board, acting on behalf of the Board is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Fiscal Officer of the Library Taxing Authority.

Section 7. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.11, Ohio Revised Code.

Rick Ortmeyer seconded the motion and, after discussion, a roll call vote was taken and the results were:

Ayes: Posch, Holland, Botnick, Ortmeyer, Eummer, Roosa, Fischer
Nayes: none

The resolution was adopted.

Discussion regarding Levy Committee

Levy Chairpeople will be Louisa Oliver, FRIENDS of Heights Library President and Abby Botnick, Trustee. Louisa is a resident of Cleveland Heights and Abby is a resident of University Heights. A Steering Committee will also be named. Treasurer is Lois Gross of Cleveland Heights. Planning will begin this week. All Trustees will assist as needed. Fundraising must commence immediately.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Adjournment

Motion for adjournment: Abby Botnick, Seconded by Jeffrey Eummer
Adjourned at 7:17 pm

Unless otherwise notified, the next meeting of the Board will be held on Wednesday, July 21, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the Lee Road branch.