Haina Just-Michael, President, called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. The following members of the Board and Administration were present or excused.

BOARDS MEMBERS
Haina Just-Michael, President
Charles Burke, Vice President
Quentin Jacobs, Secretary
Damon Maher
Gregory T. Varian
Dierdra Clark
Yadira Ramos-Herbert

ADMINISTRATION
Thomas Geoffino
Jean Manning
Mary Kane Pasacreta

WLS REPRESENTATIVE
LaRuth Gray (excused)

HR&A PRESENTATION:
Vice President Chuck Burke made the introductory remarks regarding the HR&A staff presenters (Shuprotim Bhaumik and Justin Schultz) and the scope of their public presentation.

Shuprotim and Justin detailed the credentials of HR&A relative to this assignment – the firm functions as a “real estate and economic development consulting firm working at the intersection of the public and private sector. Our work transforms communities and revitalizes urban areas. HR&A has advised a variety of institutions and developers in the New York area on real estate decisions.” The presentation included a review of the current state of New Rochelle Public Library (including key service statistics) and compared such information to NRPL’s peer Westchester County public libraries. HR&A articulated its vision for “next steps” for this process consisting of:
+ Gather stakeholder and public input.
+ Research modern library best practices.
+ Analyze options for library
+ Develop strategic direction for library’s future success

Chuck Burke recapped the future in relation to Library Board next steps in the development process by announcing that a public survey, in English and Spanish, would be made available to New Rochelle residents in house (via electronic and paper formats) as well as our website. Publicity via press releases and social media will be utilized to highlight this effort in order to obtain the most inclusive result possible. Chuck declared that this survey will by no means end the public input about this crucial issue but merely function as another element in the Board’s ongoing desire to encourage meaningful dialogue between itself and the community.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION:
The following individuals spoke during this time:
Maxine Golub 98 Bayberry Lane
Sharon Footes 162 Clinton Avenue
Robin Anderson 67 President Street
Donna Harris-West 74 Chatsworth Place
Damon Maher moved that the meeting go into Executive Session at 8:35 pm for the purposes of discussing the proposed acquisition, sale or lease or real property with the understanding that publicity would substantially affect the value thereof. Seconded by Haina Just-Michael and approved. Executive Session ended at 10:14 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Quentin Jacobs
Secretary