

Oakland Public Library
 Director's Report to the Library Advisory Commission (LAC)
 December, 2016- January, 2017

DIRECTOR'S ACTIVITIES AND UPDATES

- December was hectic since I was gone for most of it and a lot was squeezed at the beginning. Nonetheless, we had:
 - December 2, the Staff Holiday Breakfast, at which we had some of our Commissioners and Friends in attendance;
 - December 4, the Library Commissioners Holiday Mixer at AAMLO, a huge success;
 - December 6, Library staff took a report to the Life Enrichment Committee requesting acceptance of a grant, which went to full Council the next week.
- On December 23, 2017, the Dimond Library temporarily closed for a 4-5-month remodel through May 2017.
- On January 4, I met with the Friends of the Oakland Public Library Board of Directors at which they approved two grants regarding the Dimond Library. One grant will be repaid by the HEDCO Foundation once the furniture is purchased and installed; the other grant from FOPL will assist in covering costs of furnishing and equipment should plans to raise funds fall short of the amount needed.
- Staff continue to meet with the furniture vendor providing the furnishings for the Dimond Library and with an architect providing their time pro-bono to assist with colors, fabrics, furnishings, and paint colors for the renovation. I believe the public will be very pleased with the outcome of Dimond Library when it reopens.
- I am scheduled to meet with Council Member Dan Kalb on January 27, along with our LAC Chair, Rebekah Randle, and our Friend, Kathryn Sterbenc, to discuss options for OPL's Piedmont Avenue Library and the Tool Lending Library.
- All throughout this month, staff has been very busy working on finalizing the design of the Pop-Up Mobile Library. We are at 90% design phase. Once completed, the next step is purchase of the vehicle and fabrication.

BUDGET UPDATE

- The Library has begun the FY 2017-19 budget process. Two items have been submitted in draft form thus far:
 - FY 2017-19 Capital Improvement Projects (CIP)
 - FY 2017-19 Proposed Service Levels
- The next step in the process, and due from all Departments on February 10, is the FY 2017-19 Draft Budget.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- The current OPL monthly calendar is available online at www.oaklandlibrary.org/news