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Report to the Library Board December, 2008

NOTE CHANGE: The Board will meet at the new Sequoya Branch Library at 4:30 on December 1rst.

Agenda items for this meeting:

- Request Board approval for changes to the Library's meeting room policies, per the City Attorney's Office (in your packet). Changes to the Branch and Central Meeting Room Policies are highlighted in red; these were necessary to accommodate groups who wish to use our meeting rooms and need to enter into a signed contract to do so.
- Request Board approval for a Letter of Intent (enclosed) authorizing the purchase of a grey box from the Urban League of Greater Madison for a future new South Madison Branch in the redeveloped Villager Mall. This was approved by the Board of Estimates November 24 and is scheduled for Council approval on December 8.
- Request Board approval of the 2009 Dane County facilities agreement (enclosed); this annual agreement sets the rent for the space in the Central Library used by the Dane County Library Service including office space, collection space and parking.
- Report on the Central Library RFP timeline.
- Approval to authorize the preparation and funding for an analysis of the current Central Library building -- a necessary part of the decision-making process involving a new downtown library.
- Acceptance of the MPL Foundation's Capital Campaign Fundraising Goal Policy. (Enclosed.)

Updates

This week's MPL web page features the opening of the beautiful new Sequoya Branch Library, of course, but at the same time it introduces Madison Gas and Electric's *CO2gether* website, designed to help residents of South Central Wisconsin reduce their carbon footprint. This is neat because it enables individuals and families to understand their own impact on our environment, while promoting sustainable behavior. It's also neat because the official kick-off for this web site was held in the meeting room of the new "green" Sequoya Branch Library, and on the very first day that Sequoya officially opened.

MPL's web site also features *Off the Beat: Book Recommendations from Madison Police Officers*, over the years one of the library's most successful book displays. You'd be surprised, or maybe not, what our downtown beat cops read and recommend.

Plus, we're announcing the introduction of automated email alerts notifying you two days before your books are due that your books are due. This is something library users have been asking for and if you are interested all you have to do is sign up for this email service notification in person at your favorite library, or by phone or online.

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