

GOOD MORNING MEMBERS.

BEFORE WE BEGIN, LET US PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO OUR FLAG...

GOOD MORNING EVERYONE, IT'S A PLEASURE TO SEE ALL OF YOU AGAIN AND TO BE HERE WITH YOU THIS MORNING.

LET ME BEGIN AS ALWAYS BY THANKING YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE...

AND FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO ENSURE THAT MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HAS A LIBRARY SYSTEM PREPARED TO BEST SERVE OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY.

WE APPRECIATE ALL YOUR HARD WORK, AND LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING THIS PROCESS.

AS THIS TASK HAS EVOLVED, WE HAVE MADE IT A PRIORITY TO BE RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF OUR COUNTY...

AND WE HAVE CAST A WIDE NET TO OBTAIN INFORMATION AND BEST PRACTICES FROM THROUGHOUT THE NATION.

IN FACT, TODAY YOU WILL HEAR PRESENTATIONS FROM THE RESULTS OF THESE VARIOUS OUTREACH EFFORTS...

INCLUDING A SURVEY THAT HAS GATHERED DATA FROM LIBRARY EMPLOYEES AT ALL LEVELS, AND ONE FROM RESIDENTS AS WELL.

WE HAVE ATTEMPTED TO BE AS EXHAUSTIVE AND THOROUGH AS POSSIBLE...

BRINGING YOU ALL OF THIS INFORMATION FOR YOU TO CONSIDER, ANALYZE, AND THEN MAKE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS.

AS I STATED BEFORE, THIS INCLUSIVE APPROACH, TOGETHER WITH YOUR DIVERSE IDEAS, WILL BE AT THE HEART OF OUR WORK'S SUCCESS.

IN THE END, YOU WILL BE A PARTNER IN CRAFTING WHAT OUR LIBRARY SYSTEM WILL LOOK LIKE FOR THE NEXT SEVERAL DECADES.

OUR COMMON GOAL IS TO ENSURE THAT MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HAS A TOP-NOTCH, LIBRARY SYSTEM, WORTHY OF OUR STATURE AS A PREMIERE GLOBAL COMMUNITY.

AND NOW, LET ME PROVIDE EACH TASK FORCE MEMBER AN OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE THEMSELVES.

THANK YOU MEMBERS.

MR. CLERK, WE NEED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING.

THANK YOU ALL AGAIN AND LET ME HAND IT OFF TO LISA...

