

# **Loudon County Library Board of Trustee Meeting**

## **Regular Meeting**

### **The Public Library at Tellico Village**

**May 27, 2021**

**Call to order:** 5:00 by Chairman Barry Baker.

**Present:** Trustees: Barry Baker, Cindy Benefield, Ed Donley, JoAnn Hart, Sandi Jorgensen, Carolyn Page, Sarah Thomason, Beth Waldman.

**Directors:** Jordan Baker, Carol DeForest, Susan Dorsey.

**Absent:** ORRL Director, Liz Shreck, excused.

**Guest:** Kyle Styer

**Public Comment:** Kyle Styer introduced himself to the board, expressing gratitude for being nominated to replace outgoing trustee, Baker.

**Treasurer:** Report submitted. Expenses this month included the \$5000 which was distributed among the five libraries, and the printing costs for the new manuals.

**Ocoee River Regional Library Report:** Report submitted. Donley remarked that the Loudon County Library Board had the highest percentage of certified trustees.

**County Liaison Report:** No report.

**Director's Reports:** Reports submitted from all five libraries.

Dorsey thanked the Board's for its support and understanding during the time she was dealing with a sick child. She stressed the importance of having more help at the LC Library.

Baker has completed her Master's Degree and received congratulations from the Board.

**Committee and Activities Report:**

**Arts and Crafts Fair**, June 5 and 6: Thomason distributed schedule of workers for the event.

### **Community Outreach**

Storybook Trail: Waldmann reported that she, Dorsey, and Thomason met with the Mayor of Lenoir City. Town Creek Greenway has been approved for the site for the project. Since money from the grant will only cover part of the project's cost, Waldmann would like to pursue additional funding. Total cost of the Trail is estimated to be from \$4000 to \$7000. The maximum amount that could result from the grant is \$4000.

Waldmann is aiming for the September grant deadline.

Waldmann moved and Thomason seconded: "Additional funding for this project will be pursued." Motion carried.

It was mentioned that both trustees Thompson and Benefield have experience with grants.

Dorsey offered to provide five titles of books to be considered for the trail.

**Finance**: Page announced that MOE letters will be sent out by the first of the month. Thomason submitted a request for reimbursement for the printing of the new banner.

**Personnel**: No report.

**By-Law and Policy Development**: Books are printed and ready to distribute. Each library should take two, each trustee one. Chair Baker once again thanked the committee for its hard work.

**Nominating**: Trustee Donley moved that " Kyle Styer be appointed to represent the Loudon Library Service area for a three year term beginning July1, 2021." Seconded by Page. Motion carried.

**Regional Board Meeting**: Benefield moved "Ed Donley will be reappointed to the ORRL Board." Page seconded. Motion carried.

**Future Meetings**: The July 22 meeting will be held in the Lenoir City community room. J. Baker will let us know in June when it will be convenient to meet in Greenback.

**Closing Comments:** Thomason expressed the Board's appreciation to Chair Baker for his leadership and service to the County Library System. All agreed that he will be missed and that he has left his mark.

**Adjournment:** Thomason adjourned the meeting at 5:55.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Jorgensen, Secretary

Attachments:

Agenda

Minutes

Treasurer's Report

Directors' Reports

Trustee Reports