

Loudon County Board of Trustee Meeting
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2023
Philadelphia Public Library

Call to Order: 5:04 by Chair, Sarah Thomason.

Present: Trustees: Carolyn Page, Cindy Benefield, JoAnn Hart, Beth Waldman, Sarah Waldman, Pauline Barbour, Liz Hall

Directors: Carol DeForest, Mark Williams, Kate Clabough, Martha Gulden. ORRL Director, Liz. Schreck.

Absent: Trustee Kyle Styer, Director Susan Dorsey, Sandy Jorgenson Secretary

Agenda: Approved with no Additions.

Minutes: Hart moved to accept the minutes of the January 12, 2023 meeting, Waldman seconded, Motion carried: Waldman moved to accept the minutes of the Special Called Meeting, January 31, 2023, Hart seconded, motion carried

Ocoee River Regional Library Report: Report Submitted: Director Schreck provided a sample of the March 2023 Tri-fold. and State Statistics through February 2023. Suggested a challenge for 2023 Certification, Thomason suggested a group certification session for all interested trustees. Schreck emphasized the importance of Trustee Certification and how it effects future budgeting. Schreck provided Certificates to Gulden and Williams

County Liaison Report: None

Committee Reports:

Budget: Page looked over budget to hand over on 4/1/23 to new personnel: Tellico village Library to receive \$70,000 from Henry Cullen, County Commissioner as part of his ARPA money

Ad-Hoc photographic/video committee was dissolved due to no action taken: Motion to dissolve committee made by Barbour, seconded by Waldman

Personnel Policy and Evaluation Policy revisions are being reviewed and will be submitted for a vote at a future meeting: Thomason provided the proposed revisions of the By-Laws as amended March 9, 2023. Discussion about combining Evaluation and Personnel policies. Barbour made motion seconded by Waldman. Motion carried. Discussion of the proper formula to remove a non-compliant trustee. Will be reviewed by the By-Law Committee.

Community Outreach: Waldman is working on distribution of flyers to the community with the help of a local Boy Scout Troup about the Story Book Trail. Hall suggested County board stationery with logo to be printed and distributed to individual libraries to contact representatives about upcoming events and accomplishments. Waldman will get quotes.

Nominating Committee: Page urged each trustee to consider open officer positions and to give her names of 4 proposed trustees before the May meeting.

Directors Reports: Reports Attached

Clabough: Friday story hour going well. Pettway money has been utilized for shelving and digitized microfilm. Discussion on-going with county about the county archives. Evaluation meeting with Hall and Thomason

Dorsey: Story book trail questions to be translated into Spanish. 2023-2024 budget submitted to County. LCPL will host a new chess club on Wednesday afternoons. Evaluation with Hart and Hall completed. Plans being made for the summer reading program

DeForest: 17 classes/lectures in the library for Feb. and March. \$1,000 grant from Penguin/Random House to purchase e-books. March 1, WLTN television station conducted interview with Director and Friends President for publicity.

Gulden: Submitted Annual Budget. Library was photographed and featured in local photo essay. Evaluation completed with Hall and Benefield.

Williams: Completed Pettway expenditure. Tim Burchetts's staff person hosted a mobile office at the library 2/3/23. Evaluation completed by Barbour and Hall. Hosted LCLB's budget committee. Completed Tennesseeana section including 152 titles with emphasis on east Tennessee including fiction, non-fiction and poetry by authors writing about Tennessee.

Thomason thanked everyone for their efforts:

Meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Next Meeting: May 11, 2023 – Tellico Village

The 2023-2024 LCLB will meet at 5:00 on July 13 at Greenback Public Library

Submitted by Liz Hall. Acting Secretary