

Loudon County Library Board of Trustee Meeting

Regular Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2023

The Public Library at Tellico Village

Call to order: 5:00 by Chair, Sarah Thomason.

Present: Trustees: Pauline Barbour, Cindy Benefield, Sandi Jorgensen, Carolyn Page, Sarah Thomason, Beth Waldmann.

Directors: Liz Clabough, Carol DeForest, Mark Williams.

Absent: Trustee JoAnn Hart, excused. Directors: Susan Dorsey, Martha Guldán, ORRL director Liz Schreck.

Agenda: Approved with no additions.

Minutes: Benefield moved to accept the minutes of the March 9, 2023 meeting. Page seconded. Motion carried. Benefield moved to approve Minutes of the April 13, 2023 Special Called meeting. Seconded by Page. Carried.

Ocoee River Regional Library Report: Report submitted.

County Liaison Report: No report.

Standing Committee Reports:

Budget and Finance: No report.

By-Laws and Policy Development:

1. Library Director's evaluation policy—Since Thomason has not yet received the committee's recommendation, the policy will remain as written.
2. Censorship—This topic was brought up by Dorsey in an email. Directors and Trustees agreed that the manual already does a good job of covering this topic.

Community Outreach: Waldmann reported that the signs for the Storybook Trail have been approved and will be finished soon. She learned that

the grant deadline, which is currently the end of July, may be extended. She will seek to do so and ask for an extension through September 2023.

Waldmann has explored costs for letter head stationary. Clabough offered the use of the Loudon Library printer as an alternative to having it done professionally. She and Waldmann will work on design for the stationary.

We will not be providing a table at the Lenoir City Arts and Crafts Festival this year. Not enough Board members were available for staffing.

Nominating Committee: Thomason reported two resignations have been received by the current board: Liz Hall and Kyle Styer. Consequently, the Nominating Committee had additional slots to fill. Page presented the following slate:

Brandy Styer to fill the position vacated by Kyle Styer

Eileen Connolly to fill the position vacated by Liz Hall.

Ruth McQueen to replace Carolyn Page who will be leaving the board.

Amy Jo Cook who will replace Sarah Thomason, also leaving board.

Diane Strever to replace Sandi Jorgensen leaving the board.

Nominees for the new Trustees for the upcoming term include:

At Large Ruth McQueen

Loudon Brandy Styer

Loudon Amy Jo Cook

Tellico Village Diane Strever

Tellico Village Eileen Connolly

Nominees for Board Officers:

Chair Ruth McQueen

Vice Chair Cindy Benefield

Secretary Beth Waldmann

Treasurer Pauline Barbour

Committee Chair, Page, recommended the above slate. Barbour seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Directors Reports: Reports attached.

Thomason congratulated each director for the great job that has been done.

Training Session: On June 15, 10:00 at the TV library, there will be a trustee training session. Lunch will be provided by Thomason who has asked that those planning to attend RSVP to her.

Adjournment: 5:45

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Jorgensen, Secretary

Attachments:

Agenda

Director' s Reports

Trustee Certification flyer

Special Note: The July meeting of the Loudon County Board will be held on Thursday, July 27 at the Greenback Library, 5:00.