Shelbyville Bedford County Public Library Board Meeting Virtual Meeting /May 26, 2020

Board members present at the library: Vicky McCord. Also present: Rita Allen - Library Director and Margaret Petty - Technology
Board members present via Zoom and call in: Ron Tillman, Don Gallagher, Charity Troyer, Rheaetta Wilson, Barry Cooper, & Henry Feldhaus. Also present: Betty Jo Jarvis - Regional Director and Kate Huddleston - Asst. Regional Director.

Board members not present: Lynn Hulan, Carol Magnuson, Brent Canady and Al Simmons

Called to Order

Meeting was called to order at 1:04 with a quorum of seven (7) members.

Approval of Minutes

Rheaetta Wilson made a motion to approve the April minutes. Don Gallagher seconded the motion. All approved.

Treasurer's Report

Barry Cooper made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Ron Tillman seconded the motion and all approved.

Both Brent and Rheaetta were able to attend the county finance meeting and did a wonderful job presenting our budget request.

Regional Librarian's Report

Per state directive the regional office will have 2 staff members on alternating schedules.

Old Business

Phase 2 reopening suggestions were brought to the board. Don Gallagher made the motion to begin phase 2 reopening procedures only when the staff felt comfortable moving forward. Henry Feldhaus seconded the motion and all agreed.

Making the library Fine Free, with the exceptions of hotspots and lost books, was brought back to the table. Rheaetta Wilson made the motion to be fine free until 12/31/2020. Henry Feldhaus seconded the motion and all agreed.

New Business

Board members whose first term ends this fiscal year are: Brent Canady (will be returning), Don Gallagher (will be returning), and Charity Troyer (will be returning). Rheatta Wilson leaves us after serving 6 years on the board. Henry Feldhaus's board term will be up in November. The officers for 2020-2021 will be:

Chair Person: Brent Canady

Vice Chair Person: Vicky McCord

Secretary: Charity Troyer Treasurer: needs to be filled

Charity Troyer made a motion to accept the slate of officers. Don Gallagher

seconded the motion and all approved.

Friends of the Library

Lynne Tolley will be asked to return as the speaker for the Friends Luncheon in October.

Personnel

There have been no new applicants for the Director's position. Currently we have three candidates. Both Irving Simpkins and May George have expressed an interest in joining the Library Board. Rheaetta also suggested Ralph McBride, a local lawyer. Henry Feldhaus made the motion to investigate the willingness and availability of one of the names above to fill the slot open for a new board member. Charity Troyer seconded the motion and all approved.

Community

The grant for the video and security package for the library is being sponsored by the city and will be submitted as part of the CARES Act. Henry is asking for more details on the numbers. June 15th is the deadline for the application.

Property

The new shelving for the children's department has arrived. Rheaetta recommended a picture of the finished space for the Friends Of the Library. A water valve was turned on outside by an unknown person. The city waived the extra charge for all of the water.

Librarian's Report

In addition to her narrative Rita mentioned that she is currently going through and cleaning up the policy manual. She is going to ask the board to rescind the policy regarding offering the director a contract each May.

Charity Troyer made a motion to adjourn at 1:39. Barry Cooper seconded. The next meeting will be via Zoom on June 23rd .

Thank you,
Charity Troyer
Secretary