Shelbyville Bedford County Public Library Board Meeting December 6, 2022

Board members present: Brent Canady, Mary Gore, Ralph McBride, Shay Maupin, Henry Feldhaus, Cherie Beatty, Jennifer Templeton, Mary Pitner, John Boutwell and Ronette Tillman. Also present: Kate Huddelston- Regional Director and Lis Ann Morehart - Library Director(via Zoom). Not present: Yesenia Lira-Garcia

Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 with a quorum of twelve(12) members.

Before the approval of the minutes, Ronette Tillman asked for the amended minutes be approved from the September minutes due to being left off in error, where the library staff received a slight raise. Mary Pitner made a motion to approve the amended minutes and Henry Feldhaus seconded. All approved.

Approval of Minutes

Henry Feldhaus made the motion to approve the October minutes, and Mary Pitner seconded. All approved. There was no meeting in November.

Treasurer's Report

Ronette Tillman made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, and Mary Pitner seconded the motion. All approved.

Regional's Report

Kate provided us with handouts on trustee certification and the upcoming Summer Reading Symposium on December 8, 2022.

Old Business

The Board had postponed voting at our October meeting on moving the library bank account from First Community Bank to the December meeting. After much discussion, Cherie Beatty made a motion to move the library account to First Bank and this will begin at the end of the fiscal year. Jennifer Templeton seconded. All approved.

New Business

Lis Ann made the Board aware of the problems she had been having with Quickbooks and has found something much cheaper with direct deposit, has online version and easier to access. Due to it being a non profit version and under \$500, it will not be necessary to require a vote from the board to make the transition. Also Lis Ann stated that the blinds in the library are out of code and repairs will not be made. Blinds in the history room are broken and are not safe around children due to the strings are so long. After much discussion, Board, decided to phase blinds in as needed. Lis ann stated there was someone willing to donate to fund the blinds. Brent Canady suggested that Lis Ann get a quote to find out how much the donor is willing to donate to the fund. Lis Ann made the Board aware that the library no longer has a handyman. Lis Ann recommended Austin Jones, who is a certified electrician and that he had already replaced the light covers that were in need of being replaced. Also discussed was Library of Things where the library can lend items that are donated to the library. Lis Ann stated that tools is what the patrons have said would be most helpful. Kate Huddleston stated that Rutherford and Coffee County were using this program. After much discussion on what kind of tools, where the tools would be stored, liability, policy on a deposit, signing a waiver, that the Library of Things start small and limit to 15 items. It was suggested looking at a manageable list for kids that would be low maintenance and serving those needs on a trial basis. Board agreed to allow the library to look into this a little further.

Friends of the Library

Mary Pitner reported that the next book sale will be in March with help from NHS. She requested that the board bring in books.

Personnel Committee

Pay raises were approved by the board and bonuses were given out first of December.

Community Relations

Nothing to report

Property Committee

Board welcomed John Boutwell as the new Property Committee member.

Librarian's Report

In addition to Lis Ann's report she made the board aware that the 2021 audit was complete and would be ready by the first of the year. The library will be closed January 2,2023.

Brent Canady made a motion to adjourn, and Jennifer Templeton seconded. The next meeting will be held on January 24th, 2023.

Thank you, Ronette Tillman Secretary