Shelbyville Bedford County Public Library Board Meeting

December 3, 2019 @ 1 pm

Board members present: Brent Canady, Rheaetta Wilson, Lynn Hulan, Don Gallagher, Charles Brandon, Al Simmons, Ron Tillman, Vicki McCord. Board members absent: Carol Magnuson, Henry Feldhaus. Others in attendance: Regional Library & SBCPL Director Rita Allen.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Brent Canady @ 1 pm w/a quorum of 9 members. There was not an individual present from the library patron/user community to address the Board within the five-minute period allocated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of October 22, 2019 minutes: Al Simmons moved to approve & motion seconded by Vicki McCord. Motion passed.

TREASURER’S REPORT

“So Far So Good” was announced by Treasurer, Rheaetta Wilson. City allocation early this year; now City is paying the first of each month. A motion to approve treasurer’s report by Vicki McCord & second by Al Simmons passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Security Cameras: mirror devices are being installed in the Study Rooms to allow visual access to activity within the rooms without disturbing occupant/occupants.

New library building’s 5th celebration: discussed/ date set @ May 30th. See below. Suggestions may be discussed w/Library Director &/or Board Members.
NEW BUSINESS

Regional Library representative reviewed upcoming workshops and events including Homelessness Training, Trustee Certification, Summer Reading Supplies, TSLA progress & Resource via tsla.libguides.com/stonesriverregion.

Additional reported on access to ebooks as only 1 title for 1st week with a longer wait time for some.

Security Cameras: Library Director met w/city representatives to study the possible choices for security cameras. Mirrors have been ordered for the Library’s study rooms in order to have visual access to monitor the study rooms.

The new library building location’s 5th birthday is scheduled for May 30 which is Memorial Day weekend.

Al Simmons reported the Bedford County Historical Quarterly has a feature on the Library’s history.

HVAC problems have been reviewed by Al Simmons who will meet w/John Davis to discuss the HVAC and existing light fixtures and plumbing issues.

The Christmas Parade is Saturday, December 7; the Bookmobile will be in the Parade. Thursday, December 5th, at 1:30, the Library will host local contributors to read from a book complied and co-authored by Shelbyville native, Jimmy Gifford.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Lunch was a huge success w/ speaker re: the Titanic. The sponsor organization, The Friends of the Library, presented the library a check for $7500 to be used for
shelving in the children’s space. Speaker for the Friends luncheon 2020 is scheduled to be local author, Fawn Weaver.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Charity Troyer is leaving the Shelbyville Bedford County Public Library; a search for the position of Children’s Librarian has begun. Skills are defined for potential applicants; at this time there are four applicants for the position.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The issue related to the homeless patrons has subsided. The Library Director will continue to pursue this community’s services for the homeless. Tennessee Health Council is an active partner in supplying direction related to this segment of our community.

December 15 is Volunteer Appreciation Day; library volunteer’s will be recognized for their service at 4:00 pm.

LIBRARIAN’S REPORT

Plan for birthday party for Library in its 75th year in Bedford County! A May 30, 2020 event! A landmark for this service to all!
