

Scenic Regional Library
Board Minutes – October 20, 2015

Scenic Regional Library Board of Trustees met at the Union Branch on October 20, 2015, at 7:03 pm. Karen Holtmeyer presided at the meeting. Those attending the meeting were Leonard Butts, Diann Wacker, Susan Richardson, John Barry, Paula Sutton, Joy Dufrain, Carla Robertson, Kathleen Ham, and Bob Niebruegge. Absent were John Cheatham, Carol Leech, and Carol Bell. Steven Campbell, Library Director, Jamie Summers, Administrative Assistant, Dan Brower, Assistant Director, Brenda Allee-Bates, Business Manager and Human Resources Manager, and Diane Disbro, Union Branch Manager, were also present.

There were no public comments.

Public Comments

John Barry made the motion to approve the Minutes of the September 15, 2015 meeting. Susan Richardson seconded the motion. All voted Aye. The motion carried 9/0.

Approval of Minutes

The Financial Report was reviewed. *Susan Richardson made the motion to approve the Financial Report. John Barry seconded the motion. All voted Aye. The motion carried 9/0.*

Financial Report

The Board reviewed the provided Librarians Reports. The Fall Book Sale grossed over \$8,000 which has been the highest in library history. Staff and Board members attended the MLA/KLA Conference in Kansas City and accepted the Library of the Year award. The employee appreciation BBQ went over well and had a large attendance. John Barry thought the venue was very nice. Statistics for visits to the new website will be included from this point onward. Kathi Ham commented that the site is very well done and seems to be user friendly. R.R. Donnelly does award grants to libraries for communities in which they have branches; these are not brick and mortar grants but for services or programming and the amount varies based on the length of relationship with the library. Dan Brower and Christy Schink will work together to submit a grant request to establish a relationship for programming opportunities in Owensville. Joy Dufrain asked about salaries being included to offer certain services. The Books-by-Mail program officially began on October 1 and already has twenty patrons enrolled.

Librarians Reports

Bob Niebruegge entered the meeting at 7:27 pm.

Franklin County is requesting a copy of the signed resolution and amended Minutes to approve the resolution for the merger of Sullivan Public Library. The Sullivan Board voted at the end of September to approve the resolution. *Joy Dufrain made the motion to amend the Minutes from July 21, 2015 to reference the resolution. Bob Niebruegge seconded the motion. All voted Aye. The motion carried 10/0.*

Sullivan Public Library Merger Resolution

Steven Campbell provided the Board with a revised 2015-2016 annual budget that includes expenses after the Sullivan merger, lack of state aid, Franklin County assessed valuation revenue down, and the uncertainty

Revised 2015-2016 Annual Budget

about MoreNet funding. John Barry asked about handling the investing. Brenda Allee-Bates explained conversations with local bankers giving the same or better interest rates to keep the entire sum in a demand account rather than in smaller tiered certificates of deposits; she will include the pledges from the bank in the Board report. ***Paula Sutton made the motion to approved the revised 2015-2016 Annual Budget. Kathi Ham seconded the motion. All voted Aye. The motion carried 10/0.***

Diane Disbro exited the meeting at 7:43 pm.

Bob Niebruegge made the motion to move into Executive Session. Diann Wacker seconded the motion. There was a roll call vote: Bob Niebruegge—Aye, Kathi Ham—Aye, Diann Wacker—Aye, John Barry—Aye, Leonard Butts—Aye, Carla Robertson—Aye, Joy Dufrain—Aye, Paula Sutton—Aye, Susan Richardson—Aye, and Karen Holtmeyer—Aye. The Board moved into Executive Session at 7:44 pm.

The Board returned from Executive Session.

Votes from Executive Session were announced:

Bob Niebruegge made the motion to rescind the letter to withdraw from the Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan. Diann Wacker seconded the motion. All voted Aye. The motion carried 10/0.

**Votes from
Executive Session**

John Barry made the motion that if the Union citizens group (led by Mike Elliot and Joe Purschke) provides the library with the lot in downtown Union (current Frick's lot, portion of Locust, and adjacent lot) at no cost, the library agrees to build a new facility on the property as long as the project costs can be kept within the existing budget for Union (same as it would have cost to buy and renovate the former Ashley furniture store building). The library also must retain control over the design of the facility. Paula Sutton seconded the motion. There was a roll call vote: Bob Niebruegge—Aye, Kathi Ham—Aye, Diann Wacker—Aye, John Barry—Aye, Leonard Butts—Aye, Carla Robertson—Aye, Joy Dufrain—Aye, Paula Sutton—Aye, Susan Richardson—Aye, and Karen Holtmeyer—Aye. The motion carried 10/0.

There being no further business, Karen Holtmeyer adjourned the meeting at 8:44 pm.

Secretary

Approved: _____
President, Scenic Regional Library Board of Trustees

Date: _____