

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
DAVIESS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

October 15, 2014

Members Present: Polly Reynolds, President  
Jeremy Edge, Treasurer  
Dmitry Uskov

Others Present: James Blanton, Director  
Debbie Young, Accounts Manager  
Libby Alexander  
Ginger Hatley, Admin. Clerk

The meeting was called to order by the President, Polly Reynolds at 5:05 p.m.

The first order of business was the approval of the minutes of the September meeting. Hearing no comments or corrections, Jeremy Edge made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Dmitry Uskov seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Jeremy Edge then presented the Treasurer's Report. He went over the receipts and expenditures for the month. Hearing no comments or corrections, Dmitry Uskov made a motion to approve the financial report and expenditures as presented. Polly Reynolds seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Jim Blanton was then asked to present the Director's Report. Mr. Blanton went over the Statistical Report and discussed any category with significant changes. Mr. Blanton reported on programs being held in October and upcoming events. Mr. Blanton commented that the Unscripted Film School was doing well, running smoothly with a good attendance. Jim also said there are authors continuing to sign up for the ePublish or Bust program. The authors and several libraries are excited about the program.

Polly Reynolds called for Old Business. Mr. Blanton stated the application for the KPLA Funding Opportunity was completed and he should be notified after November 7, 2014 with their decision. Mr. Blanton also commented he has been in contact with RBS Design Group in finalizing the building design.

Next on the agenda was an Update on Candidates for the Board Positions. Mr. Blanton stated he had received a letter of resignation from Jonathan Carroll. Mr. Carroll resigned from the Library Board effective October 14, 2014. Polly Reynolds stated she received notification that two new candidates need to be nominated for Vicki Tinsley's open Board seat. After discussion Polly Reynolds stated the Board will continue to seek names for the two Board open seats.

Next on the Agenda was the Strategic Planning Update. Libby Alexander discussed with the Board that she and Mr. Blanton are still interviewing community leaders and working with Library staff to get more input for the strategic planning project. Polly Reynolds discussed with the Board the next item on the Agenda which was Documentary Screening for the movie "God Loves Uganda". After discussion, the Board agreed to partner with the Humanist Society for the screening of "God Loves Uganda" with open discussion following the movie.

Polly Reynolds then called for New Business. Polly Reynolds tabled the Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2014/2015. Jim Blanton led a discussion about the Compensation Study Proposals and presented two proposals to the Board. After discussion, Jeremy Edge made a motion to accept the Austin Peters Group Proposal for conducting the compensation study. Polly Reynolds seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Blanton then discussed with the Board the Smoking Policy. Mr. Blanton contacted Claud Porter, Daviess County Attorney, to discuss the City of Owensboro smoking policy to determine if the Library would follow this ordinance, which took effect on October 15, 2014. Mr. Porter confirmed the Library would follow the ordinance which bans all smoking in public places. After discussion, Polly Reynolds made a motion to amend the Code of Conduct Policy to include a ban on all smoking, including E-cigarettes and the use of tobacco products on the Library grounds. Dmitry Uskov seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

There was no Public comment.

Polly Reynolds then called for Closed Session. Jeremy Edge made a motion to enter Closed Session, Dmitry Uskov seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Polly Reynolds made a motion to end Closed Session, Jeremy Edge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Polly Reynolds made a motion to authorize the sale of the house at 522 Griffith Avenue, for the best offer price, at or above the appraised value, and to give Jim Blanton the authority to choose the most competitive, experienced realtor to sell the property. Jeremy Edge seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Having no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m. The next meeting of the Daviess County Public Library Board of Trustees will be Wednesday November 19, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in the Library Board Room.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Polly Reynolds". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.