

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

July 18, 2018

Members Present: Michelle Drake  
Rodney Ellis  
Beena Vora  
Jim Kuhlman  
Susan Gesser

Others Present: Erin Waller, Director  
Debbie Young, Business Manager

The meeting was called to order by President Michelle Drake at 5:02 p.m.

Michelle Drake called for the approval of the minutes of the June meeting. Hearing no comments or corrections, Rodney Ellis made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Susan Gesser seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Rodney Ellis presented the Treasurer's Report. He went over the June, 2018 financial report including the receipts and expenditures for the month. Hearing no comments or corrections, Michelle Drake made a motion to approve the financial report and expenditures as presented. Jim Kuhlman seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Rodney Ellis let the Board know that he would be unable to attend the <sup>August</sup>~~July~~ board meeting and that meeting is where the 2018/2019 Tax Rate would be discussed and approved. He discussed with the Board that our fiscal year budget had been prepared taking the compensating rate and it would be his recommendation that the Board approve the same rate as the last fiscal year or compensating rate at the next board meeting. Mr. Ellis noted that he had reviewed some preliminary financial numbers for the tax rate and did not see any financial reason for increasing the tax rate.

Erin Waller was asked to present the Director's Report. Mrs. Waller reported on programs being held in July and upcoming events. The Library hosted Moana's Summer Luau on July 11 and had over 500 in attendance. Mrs. Waller reported that the renovation project is almost complete and we are waiting on the garage door to be installed. All books are back on shelves. The final bills have not yet been received but are expected soon. The Grand Opening for the new Children's area is set for Saturday, September 29 and more information will be provided to the Board about the event. Mrs. Waller notified the Board that the Library had been closed two days due to the water outage, but this allowed staff to work on getting shelving and books in place. Statistics are down due to the expansion but Mrs. Waller expects the numbers to rebound once the project is complete. Summer Reading is coming to a close and the

statistics are better than last year with 645 adults, over 2,000 children and 224 teens enrolled in Summer Reading.

Michelle Drake called for Old Business with the first item being the Library Expansion Project Update. Erin Waller reported that she discussed all the information on this in the Director's Report.

Old Business – Board Member Nominations were next on the Agenda. Mrs. Waller stated that both Beena Vora's and Rodney Ellis' terms would expire in September, 2018. Both Mrs. Vora and Mr. Ellis indicated they would like to serve on the Library Board for another term. The Board would need to nominate two additional candidates for the two positions and the Board discussed potential candidates. Rodney Ellis made a motion to nominate himself (Rodney Ellis) and Scott Taylor for one board seat and Beena Vora and Zach Ward for the second seat. Michelle Drake seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Debbie Young will submit the approved names electronically to KDLA who will accept the candidates and submit a letter with the nominations to Judge Executive Al Mattingly at the Daviess County Fiscal Court to approve one name for each Board seat.

There was no New Business.

There was no Public Comment.

Michelle Drake called for Closed Session for deliberations on the future acquisition or sale of real property. Susan Gesser made a motion to go into Closed Session. Michelle Drake seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Rodney Ellis made a motion to end the Closed Session and go back into Open Session. Michelle Drake seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Michelle Drake stated that no action was taken in Closed Session.

Having no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m. The next meeting of the Daviess County Public Library Board of Trustees will be on Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the Library Board Room.

