Minutes
Blue Ridge Regional Library Governing Board
Martinsville Library
March 20, 2019

Board members Jim Allen, Margaret Caldwell, Janet Demiray, Kathy Hodges, Bill Kirby, Carol Meyer, Bernice Scales and Mary Campbell Stromire were in attendance.

Also attending were Director Rick Ward and Administrative Assistant Elizabeth Prillaman.

Board members Betsy Haskins and Mary Ruth Reynolds were unable to attend.

Call to Order:

Board Vice-Chair Bernice Scales called the meeting to order at 12:10 and welcomed those in attendance.

Minutes:

The minutes from the February 20th meeting in Martinsville were presented and Carol Meyer moved that the minutes be approved, Margaret Caldwell seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report:

Elizabeth Prillaman reviewed the library's financial report.

Mary Campbell Stromire moved that the financial report be accepted as presented, Margaret Caldwell seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Margaret Caldwell, on behalf of the Marketing Committee, reported that she and Rick went to NCI where she did her presentation and the college wants to partner with us to purchase some e-books. We will have to see if they are available on the Overdrive site before we can do so. She also spoke to the Rotary Club at Rania's and they were very interested in what the library had to offer. Betsy Haskins will speak to the Henry County Principles on April 9th and they have been invited to speak to Smart Beginnings.

Old Business:

On a motion by Mary Campbell Stromire, seconded by Carol Meyer, the board voted unanimously to accept a bid from Comfort Systems to repair the HVAC system in Martinsville at a cost of $62,871 with the funds to come out of the capital accounts.

Janet Demiray passed out a fundraising plan that Betsy Haskins had presented to the BRRL Foundation board and asked that the board members help any way they can to identify potential donors.

Rick reported that the new bookmobile is reaching completion and should be delivered in the next few weeks. He also reported that all the paperwork had to be converted to say that the Blue Ridge Regional Library Foundation, Inc. is purchasing the bookmobile so that we qualify for the $25,000 USDA grant.

New Business:

On a motion by Jim Allen, seconded by Carol Meyer, the board voted unanimously to move $25,000 from the Carter Bank and Trust capital account to the Blue Ridge Regional Library Foundation, Inc. to pay for the new bookmobile.

On a motion by Bill Kirby, seconded by Mary Campbell Stromire, the board voted unanimously to move $35,000 from the library's unreserved fund balance account to the Blue Ridge Regional Library Foundation, Inc. to pay for the new bookmobile.

On a motion by Margaret Caldwell, seconded by Carol Meyer, the board voted unanimously to move $10,000 from the library's unreserved fund balance account to the Blue Ridge Regional Library Foundation, Inc. to pay for the new bookmobile.

Friends Report:

Mary Campbell Stromire reported that the Friends will have a "Fire Sale" to clear out a backlog of books in the Friends area with member's night April 12th from 2 – 5PM and general public sale April 13th from 9:30 – 2PM. You can become a member of the Friends of the Library for $15 a year.

Director's Agenda:

Director Ward referred the board to the printed director's report.

Rick informed the board that Patrick County is going to cut our budget by 10% of the funding we received this year. It appears this was done in closed meetings and the PC board just did a sweeping across the board cut of all outside agencies.

Rick will be in Staunton from April 10 – 12 for a VPLDA Conference.

Adjournment:

Mary Campbell Stromire moved that the meeting be adjourned at 1:27, Kathy Hodges seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

Recorder
Rick Ward

Carol Meyer
Secretary

I, Carol Meyer, Secretary of the Governing Board of Blue Ridge Regional Library, certify that the following resolution was presented, duly seconded and unanimously approved at the regular meeting of the Board held on March 20, 2019:

WHEREAS the Governing Board of Blue Ridge Regional Library previously approved the purchase a new Bookmobile and,

WHEREAS a portion of those funds to purchase the new Bookmobile have been held in a Blue Ridge Regional Library capital account at Carter Bank and Trust and,

WHEREAS in order to receive the $25,000 grant from the USDA the funds to purchase the bookmobile must come from the Blue Ridge Regional Library Foundation, Inc. and,

WHEREAS the Bookmobile is nearing completion by Moroney Bookmobiles of Worcester, Massachusetts with delivery expected in the next week

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that $25,000 be reallocated for the purpose of purchasing the new Bookmobile during FY2019 and that those funds be transferred to the Blue Ridge Regional Library Foundation, Inc. to then be transferred to Moroney Bookmobiles upon presentation of the proper documentation.

Signed,

Carol Meyer
Secretary
Blue Ridge Regional Library