Minutes
Blue Ridge Regional Library Governing Board
Patrick County Branch Library
April 17, 2019

Board members Jim Allen, Margaret Caldwell, Betsy Haskins, Kathy Hodges, Bill Kirby, Carol Meyer, Mary Ruth Reynolds, Bernice Scales and Mary Campbell Stromire were in attendance.

Also attending were Director Rick Ward, Administrative Assistant Elizabeth Prillaman, Patrick County Branch Manager Garry Clifton, and Bookmobile Coordinator Tammy Cope.

Board members Janet Demiray and Bill Kirby were unable to attend.

Call to Order:

Board Chair Betsy Haskins called the meeting to order at 12:05 and welcomed those in attendance.

Minutes:

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

Financial Report:

Elizabeth Prillaman reviewed the library's financial report.

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

Committee Reports:

Margaret Caldwell, on behalf of the Marketing Committee, reported that the Speaker's Bureau had received numerous responses to requests to speak on behalf of the library to area organizations. They have already spoken to groups at NCI, Martinsville Rotary, Henry County Principles meeting, and Smart Beginning's. Upcoming talks are scheduled for Stuart Rotary and Martinsville Uptown Rotary.

Rick read the draft Child Safety policy the Policy Committee had submitted and on a motion by Betsy Haskins, seconded by Mary Campbell Stromire, the board voted unanimously to add a clause to the policy to indicate that children aged 7 and under should have a responsible party with them that is 16 years old or older. On a motion by Mary Ruth Reynolds, seconded by Mary Campbell Stromire, the board voted unanimously to adopt the amended Child Safety Policy.

Old Business:

Rick reported that the new Bookmobile had arrived! On a motion by Jim Allen, seconded by Margaret Caldwell, the board voted unanimously to pass a resolution to remove George Gutshall, Linda Wilson and Lance Heater from the Carter Bank and Trust Public Funds Money Market account for the library and replace them with Elizabeth Prillaman and Elizabeth (Betsy) Haskins. This will allow us to move monies from the capital account to the BRRL Foundation to cover the remaining funding needed to pay for the new bookmobile. The resolution to move the funds was passed in the March 2109 board meeting.

On a motion by Bernice Scales, seconded by Carol Meyer, the board voted unanimously to take the funds to pay for the new flooring in the Martinsville meeting room for $4,373 from the capital accounts.

New Business:

Rick reported that he had heard from Henry County and the City of Martinsville that we will be getting level funding for next fiscal year and we have been told that Patrick County is planning to level fund us as well though we have not had confirmation of that as of this month.

Board members Betsy Haskins and Bernice Scales have agreed to serve another four year term on the board representing Henry County. Unfortunately Carol Meyer has reached her term limit and will have to step down.

Board member Mary Ruth Reynolds has agreed to serve another four year term on the board representing the City of Martinsville.

Friends Report:

Mary Campbell Stromire reported that the Friends had a "Fire Sale" to clear out a backlog of books in the Friends area and brought in $1,145 in sales and $135 in new memberships!

Director's Agenda:

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

Rick informed the board that he, Branch Manager Garry Clifton and board member Jim Allen attended the Patrick County Board of Supervisor's meeting on March 25th to convince the board that cutting our funding while not cutting their own departments will result in the library system losing all its state aid and e-rate monies. They said they would revisit the cut since it di involve a loss of state and federal funds. We believe they have changed their minds and will give us level funding.

Adjournment:

Mary Campbell Stromire moved that the meeting be adjourned at 1:15, Bernice Scales 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 April 17, 2019:

WHEREAS the Blue Ridge Regional Library has a Public Funds Money Market account with Carter Bank and Trust and,

WHEREAS the original persons approved on the Public Funds Money Market account on record for the Carter Bank and Trust were George Gutshall, Lance Heater and Linda Wilson, and

WHEREAS George Gutshall has retired from the Blue Ridge Regional Library as of January 31, 2019 and has been replaced by Elizabeth Prillaman as Administrative Assistant, and

WHEREAS Lance Heater and Linda Wilson are no longer on the Blue Ridge Regional Library Board

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that George Gutshall, Lance Heater and Linda Wilson shall be removed from the Public Funds Money Market account and be replaced by Elizabeth Prillaman and Elizabeth Haskins to conduct any and all Blue Ridge Regional Library business involved with this Public Funds Money Market account.

Signed,

Carol Meyer
Secretary
Blue Ridge Regional Library

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