

Minutes
Blue Ridge Regional Library Governing Board
Martinsville Library
January 10, 2024

Board members Rebecca Adcock, Margaret Caldwell, Rives Coleman, Karen Despot, Lora Mahaffey, Greg Peitz, Yluelhaldi Rose, Lewis Turner, Sherry Vestal, and Donata Worrell attended.

Also attending was Director Rick Ward.

Board member Felita Claybrooks, was unable to attend.

Call to Order:

Board Chair Margaret Caldwell called the meeting to order at 12:00 and welcomed those in attendance.

Closed meeting under § 2.2-3711(A)(1) for discussion of personnel matters.

The board entered closed session at 12:10. Greg Peitz recused himself from the discussion.

The board left closed session at 12:35.

All board members certified that the board discussed only the business for which they entered closed session.

Budget:

By consensus by the members present, the board agreed to go straight to discussion of the FY2024-25 budget.

After an extended discussion, the majority of the board agreed to not pursue the per capita spending increases this coming fiscal year and remove the full-time maintenance position. Greg Peitz, Lewis Turner, and Rives Coleman disagreed and voted no.

On a motion by Margaret Caldwell, seconded by Karen Despot, the board voted unanimously to ask for extra funding to hire a part-time staff member for both Bassett and Ridgeway instead of a full-time floater.

Adjournment:

Yluelhaldi Rose moved that the meeting be adjourned at 1:43, Karen Despot seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

Recorder
Rick Ward

Yluelhaldi Rose
Secretary