

Anne West Lindsey District Library Board of Trustees Meeting

March 22, 2022

Meeting at Anne West Lindsey Library Conference Room

Meeting was called to order at 6:32pm by Allison Owen and a determination of a quorum was established with the following board members physically present: Heather Abell, Elaine Miskell, Sheri Hunter, Debbie Johnson, Allison Owen, and Bill Slider. Jim Koonce was absent. Employees present were Pam Alstat and Mary Stoner. Jennifer Sigler, financial secretary was also present. Mr. Bob Rongey was a visitor.

The approval of the agenda was made by Bill Slider; seconded by Heather Abell. All voted in favor.

Approval of the February minutes was made by Bill Slider; seconded by Sheri Hunter. All voted in favor.

In public comments, Mr. Bob Rongey gave an update on the building construction. The only things needing completion are the seeding of the back area, dirt work if needed, and a splash coating. The Board approved the color of light grey.

In Communications, Progress Port will no longer be coming by to pick up the library recycling. Will Houston has volunteered to help take care of this.

The Financial report was given by Jennifer Siegler. Debbie Johnson made a motion to approve, per audit, Jennifer's report. Seconded by Elaine Miskell, and Board voted all in favor.

The Library Director's report was given by Mary Stoner. Jessi Baker, our teen and adult librarian, is so pleased to announce a coding camp student has completed (at the age of 12!) his Responsive Web Design certification, which is quite comprehensive. Book club participation is growing, especially the "True Crime Book Club". Jessica Wright, our children's librarian, is starting to see numbers in group participation we haven't seen since Pre-Covid. So happy to see this! Her Steam stations continue to be active. Mary Stoner, as director, did have to close the library due to inclement weather February 23-25. She continues to work actively with those employed by the expansion of the library companies, while seeing over all library aspects going on. There is a 40% increase from last year's statistics involving all library uses. Mary also met with the Friends of the Library. They are currently involved in their yearly membership campaign. Their balance is \$5,759.92. On April 8-9 the Friends will have their book sale. With a motion by Debbie Johnson; seconded by Elaine Miskell, her report was accepted by the Board, all voting yes.

There were no Library Board of Trustees business requests.

In Unfinished Business, the Policy Manual committee gave their report. With a motion by Debbie Johnson and seconded by Heather Abell, the Policy Manual was accepted with changes marked in the manual. All voted in favor.

The Banking Account work was tabled to next month, as Teri Ingram was unable to attend.

In New Business, it was recommended by Bill Slider and seconded by Heather Abell to pay the Final Payment, contingent upon the mandatory close-out meeting and resolution of the remaining punch list items. All voted yes. With a motion by Bill Slider and seconded by Elaine Miskell the money for this final payment will be taken from the Special Reserves Account at Bank of Herrin. All voted yes.

All Board Trustees have their trustee training site set up, and have gotten into the site successfully.

The next Board meeting is set for April 26, 2022.

Bill Slider made the motion to adjourn, at 7:15 pm. Sheri Hunter seconded, and all voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Johnson