Anne West District Library Board of Trustees Meeting

April 26, 2022

Meeting at Anne West Lindsey Library Conference Room

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm 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 Jim Koonce. Bill Slider was absent. Employees present were Pam Alstat and Mary Stoner. Jennifer Sigler, financial secretary, was also present. Teri Ingram was visitor.

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

Approval of the March minutes was made by Heather Abell; seconded by Elaine Miskell. All voted in favor.

Teri Ingram gave the Board their paperwork to fill out in order to open an account for the Library to have at First Southern Bank in Carterville. Teri welcomed the Library to this new account.

In Communications, we received a FOIA request from a journalist doing an article on banned books. In other communications, we received a mobile home tax increment of $1,703.32 from Williamson County.

In the Library Financial Secretary’s Report, Jennifer went over the bills/deposits/etc. for this past month. With a motion by Jim Koonce; seconded by Debbie Johnson, the Board accepted, per audit, this report.

In the Library Director’s report, Mary went over the Children’s Library report from Jessica Wright, the Teen/Adult Services report from Jessi Thomas, and her own Director’s report. Programming and participating numbers continue to climb. Our True Crime Book Club and our Steam Crafternoons are doing particularly well. Our summer reading program for children is gearing up to start soon. Our patrons are starting to sign up for this. Our summer Reading Craft events are posted with sign up directions. Debbie Johnson moved to accept the Director’s report, with Elaine Miskell seconding. All voted in favor.

The Board acted on a request from Jennifer Sigler, Financial Secretary, to move $100,000. From the Tax Account at First Mid to the Operating Account at Bank of Herrin. With a motion by Sheri Hunter seconded by Debbie Johnson and voted all aye by the Board, this Action was taken. There were no other requests.

In Unfinished Business, the 5 year Strategic Plan was gone over by the committee to the Board. The Board appreciates the hard work this took to finish.

In New Business, the Board went over their Trustee Training with Federal, State and Local statutes on Fair Labor Standards. Debbie Johnson requested to remain as Board Secretary, and reminded them she would be out of town for the next 2 meetings.
At 7:22, Heather moved that the Board adjourned, with Elaine seconding. All voted aye. The next Board meeting will be May 24, 2022.

Respectfully submitted

Debbie Johnson