

Trails Regional Library Board of Trustees
Minutes of June 19, 2019

1. Call to order

The Trails Regional Library Board met on June 19, 2019 at the Lexington Branch. President, Scotty Walker, called the meeting to order at 7:03p.m.

2. Roll Call

Board members attending: Scotty Walker, Ron McMullin, Judy Tyler, Warren Fenske, Mike Greife, Jeany McGowen, JoLynne Soendker and Amanda Travis. Unable to attend: Marcy Bryant and Judy Wolter. On duty staff attending: Anita Love, Kyle Constant and Willa Beach, Lexington Branch Manager. Off duty staff/Public attending: Regina Lamont, Jessica Craig, Katelyn Craig, Cherie Tibbetts, Paula Walker, Teresa Lowe, Isaac Tibbetts and Connie Goft.

3. Public Comments

Willa Beach, Lexington Branch Manager, welcomed the Board and guests to the branch. She commented that right now, the branch is down one employee but the replacement has been hired and will be joining staff soon. All is going well; the Summer Reading Program is drawing in lots of people into the branch and the back parking lot is wonderful now that it is repaired.

President, Scotty Walker moved agenda item #7 – Discussion and Announcements to come after the Public comments on the agenda so Cherie Tibbetts could address the Board.

Cherie Tibbetts introduced herself as the Leeton School Librarian and Director of the Trails Regional Library Express Branch that is housed within the Leeton School library. She commented that the Express Branch has been in existence for 10 years and that until recently everything has been working well. Cherie mentioned that several months ago, Anita Love

contacted her to say that the Express Branch hours need to be increased and needs to be open a total of 12 hours. Cherie reported the school complied and reinstated Saturday hours for the Express Branch. Cherie reported that she reached out to Sara Evans about having summer performers earlier this spring and it was explained that Leeton would not have any performers because past attendance was so low. Then Cherie described a call she had received from Kyle Constant about a problem issuing library cards. Cherie said Kyle explained the problem and demanded the cards be returned. Kyle Constant then stated he remembered the conversation differently and though it began in an inquisitive tone but deteriorated quickly. Discussion ensued. The Board and Cherie agreed that once a new Director for Trails has been hired then both parties can sit down and come to a mutual agreement about the Express Branch.

4. Consent Agenda

Ron McMullin asked for clarification of an expense that was for the purchase of new firewalls for the branches.

Judy Tyler made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Ron McMullin seconded the motion and the motion passed with 8 Ayes and 0 Nays

5. Unfinished Business

a. Approve FY2020 Draft Budget. Anita Love explained that with working with the auditor a 2% increase was added to tax receipts and state aid. The Missouri Governor, Mike Parson has signed the budget bringing Library state aid back up to the 2015 levels. This will allow for a modest 2% cost of living increase to the salary scale. Anita reminded the Board that by January 1, 2023 our starting salary will need to be at \$12.00 an hour. Discussion ensued.

Jeany McGowen made a motion to approve the FY2020 Draft Budget as presented. JoLynne Soendker seconded the motion and the motion passed with 8 Ayes and 0 Nays.

b. Policy A109 – Library Related Organizations. Kyle Constant reported that the changes to Policy A109 had been made and included in the Board packet. Scotty Walker requested that the line “permission to use facilities for promotional, fundraising or other activities under the same policies as the library” found under the heading of “Trails Regional Library Foundation”, be included under the “Friends of the Holden Library” heading. Ron McMullin made a motion to approve Policy A109 with the addition of the line “permission to use facilities for promotional, fundraising or other activities under the same policies as the library” under the heading of “Friends of the Holden Library”. Judy Tyler seconded the motion and the motion passed with 8 Ayes and 0 Nays.

6. New Business

a. Election of FY2020 Officers. Discussion ensued.

JoLynne Soendker made a motion to elect the following slate of officers for the Trails Regional Library Board of Trustees, their terms beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020.

President : Scotty Walker

Vice-President: Ron McMullin

Secretary: Judy Tyler

Treasurer: Judy Wolter

Amanda Travis seconded the motion and the motion passed with 8 Ayes and 0 Nays.

b. FY2020 meeting dates & locations. A chart of potential board meeting dates and locations was included in the Board packet.

Amanda Travis made a motion to accept the locations and dates as presented. Jeany McGowen seconded the motion and the motion passed with 8 Ayes and 0 Nays.

7. Discussion and Announcements

a. Leeton Express Branch. This topic was moved up to the end of public comments and discussed at that time.

8. Closed Session 610.021 (3).

At 7:50p.m., Ron McMullin moved to go into closed session. JoLynne Soendker seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken. Voting on the motion was as follows: Warren Fenske - Aye, Mike Greife - Aye, Jeany McGowen - Aye, Ron McMullin - Aye, JoLynne Soendker - Aye, Amanda Travis - Aye, Judy Tyler - Aye, Scotty Walker - Aye. At 9:05p.m. a roll call vote was taken to end the closed session and resume the open session.

9. Adjournment

President, Scotty Walker, adjourned the meeting at 9:05p.m. The next meeting will be at 7:00p.m. on July 17, 2019 at the Odessa Branch.

Board Officer

July 24, 2019
Date of approval