

BULLITT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

December 9, 2008

The Bullitt County Public Library Board of Trustees met Tuesday, December 9, 2008, at the Mt. Washington Branch Library. Those present were Pam Polston, David Strange, Christina Rodriguez, Jennifer Brookshire, Nelda Moore, Randy Matlow, and Judy Jackson. We also had four visitors, Jason Kelty, his father, and his grandparents. Pam Polston called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Randy Matlow introduced Jason Kelty to the board to talk about his sculpture in front of the Mt. Washington Library. Jason presented a slide show showing the progression of the sculpture. The board walked out to look at the sculpture.

The minutes were read for the regular November meeting. Jennifer Brookshire made the motion to accept the minutes as written. Christina Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion carried. The minutes of the special called meeting on November 20, 2008 were read. David Strange made the motion to accept the minutes as written. Jennifer Brookshire seconded the motion. The motion carried.

David Strange commended on the need for a Nichols area library. He still feels there is opportunities the board needs to pursue.

The Treasurer's Report was given. Jennifer Brookshire made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as given. Christina Rodriguez seconded the motion. The motion carried. The Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit. The 2007-08 audit report was given to the board and will be filed with the minutes.

Regional Director's Report:

The new regional director's meetings will be held on Fridays now. Nelda would like to plan a committee for the Children's Services meetings. She asked if it would be alright to ask Belinda Bunnell, our children's programmer to be on this committee. Randy agreed. The Board presented Nelda with a candy basket for her retirement. This is her last time to be at our meetings.

Library Director Report:

Randy asked the board how they liked the sculpture. Pam Polston said she really liked it. David Strange said he thought it would be bigger including the sculptures.

The Lebanon Junction project is still on track. We are waiting for a couple of engineering reports for the site, and the survey. Randy did ask the neighbor about our concerns as far as flooding was concerned. The neighbor said it hasn't been a problem. We should be able to close on the property 20-30 days after the engineers report. We have received Greg White's contract. It doesn't need to be signed until the land is purchased. Randy has done a cash flow chart for the next year, and we still look good. The Lebanon Junction library will be bigger than Mt. Washington, but would include a meeting room and a storage space. We might go back later and add a meeting room to the Mt. Washington Library. Randy asked Nelda if property values go down, what happens with our tax rate. Nelda said that the law states we can not receive less money than the previous year. Therefore, if property values go down, the rate would go up to equal the previous years revenue.

Randy would like to update our PAC computers. We have had these PAC's since 1999. Christina Rodriguez made the motion to purchase new PAC computers. David Strange seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Pam Polston didn't have the evaluation forms ready for Randy's evaluation. She will try to have them ready by the next meeting.

Randy proposed a fine free month for January. We have not had one for several years. This would only be for currently checked out books that are late. It would affect DVD's or videos. David Strange made the motion to make January a fine free month. Jennifer Brookshire seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Our staff development day is tomorrow. Randy invited the Board for lunch if they would like to come. Nelda suggested Land's End if we would ever want to do staff shirts.

Randy feels we need a library logo. Nelda suggested we hire a professional to do this – not do it as a contest for locals.

Randy has been working with Microsoft Expressions to update our web page. The new web page should be ready soon.

Randy asked the board what they feel should be done with the Nichols area. He expressed his concerns with putting a library in the old house David had found. Jennifer Brookshire feels a bookmobile would be a good thing for the area. We have been talking about in the future, get a delivery vehicle. We would need to decide what our target area would be. Nelda told the Board how another library borrowed a bookmobile, parked it in area, staffed it with volunteers to see how busy it would be in that area. Pam Polston described to the Board her feelings on any future plans for expansion to the Nichols area. Pam Polston feels the Board should form a committee to look at any future expansions.

Jennifer Brookshire made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Christian Rodriguez seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

The next meeting will be January 13, 2009 at the Ridgway Memorial Library in Shepherdsville.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Brookshire
Secretary
Board of Trustees
Bullitt County Public Library

Pam Polston
President
Board of Trustees