

BULLITT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

March 3, 2005

The Bullitt County Public Library Board of Trustees met Tuesday, March 3, 2005, at the Ridgway Memorial Library. Those present were Dolorse Ashby, Joyce Manning, Donald Cobb, Brenda Roberts, Judy T. Jackson, Randy Matlow, and Nelda Moore. Dolorse Ashby called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. Joyce Manning made the motion to accept the minutes as written. Donald Cobb seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for February was given. Donald Cobb made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as given. Brenda Roberts seconded the motion. The Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit.

Library Director's Report:

Randy and Judy met with Greg White from Nolan and Nolan last week. He is working on all the permits we will need for the renovation. The City of Shepherdsville has said we need to have a storm water retention system. We could possibly put one under the new construction, but the architects do not want to do this unless there is no other way. We have met with the Mayor, Greg White, and an engineer to discuss the possibilities. The engineer and the Mayor have come up with a compromise. We may be able to pipe the guttering from the building directly to the storm drain across Walnut Street. This drain runs directly to the river.

Randy had a preliminary drawing of the outside of the building. Greg has asked Ed McClees with Peterson Construction to give us a rough estimate on the projected costs. Our original projected cost was \$1-1.2 million. We may have to think of some options for cash for to cover our low peaks. We could do several things – look for short term financing, scale back the renovation, or do the renovation in phases. We could save some budget money by not spending all the line item budget amounts.

Randy passed out a proposed budget for the 2005-06 year. We are projecting \$1,610,174 in revenue. We may try to reduce the materials budget for this year since we are not sure how the library will operate doing the renovation. We also won the appeal of our E-Rate for year 2003-04. We should receive approximately \$10,000. from this appeal. Randy went through the figures with a description of why we decreased several line items. We have worked into the budget enough money to get Lebanon Junction opened on Wednesdays. We will have to hire at least one new person. We will have a current employee pick up the other extra hours. We should have \$419,913.50 left out of the budget to apply toward the construction. We will have over 15,000 square feet after the renovation. We have thought about doing the renovation in two phases, such as doing the public areas first, then working on the staff areas later. Nelda suggested considering moving out of the building during the construction. It could save us some money.

We have been having problems with the parking lot at Mt. Washington. We have a legal easement on the side of the library, but some patrons are parking in the middle of the lot. Mayor Sullivan and city officials do not want this to happen. We have had a cartoon in our local newspaper and several editorials about it. Mayor Sullivan suggested we put parking spaces behind the building. Even in doing this, we would gain only one extra space. Randy suggested adding center parking spaces. He has done research to see if this would be feasible. Randy also suggested a third outside party do a study. Mayor Sullivan's main concern was the safety of the children. The City has offered to pour sidewalks for the library.

Dr. Viola has asked to make a lump sum bid of \$60,000 to pay off his loan. He still owes \$75,000. Donald Cobb made the motion to decline his offer. Brenda Roberts seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Brenda Roberts made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:25 p.m. in accordance with KRS 61.805-61.850 to discuss a personnel matter. Joyce Manning seconded the motion. Joyce Manning made the motion to come out of Executive Session at 6:30 p.m. Donald Cobb seconded the motion. No action was taken.

We were able to use the Bullitt Central Auditorium for our Poetry Winner Presentation this year thanks to Mr. Boswell with Adult Literacy. It was very nice, and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

The incorporation papers have been filed for the Bullitt County Arts Council. Now the officers can be chosen. Randy has found someone to work on a 501(c)3 status for them.

Randy has given his disposition for Anthem on the demoralization. A trial date has been set for August.

Dolorse Ashby and Pam Polston are planning a visit to Judge Ridgon. He has appointed Joyce Fish to take Pam's position on the board. If she declines the appointment, he may reappoint Pam Polston.

Randy handed out his final copy of his newsletter he finished.

Regional Director's Report:

Nelda will be holding a Staff Development Day at the Nolin RECC in Elizabethtown, on March 18th for Lincoln Trail Regional Libraries. Ridgway plans on sending several people.

The Trustee Day at KPLA will be April 14th. Ms. Manning has received the grant this year to attend. Ms. Manning thinks it would be good for staff moral to let them go to the luncheon. They will be having a guest author this year.

Brenda Roberts made the motion to adjourn. Donald Cobb seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 12, at 5:30 p.m. at the Ridgway Memorial Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Roberts
Secretary
Board of Trustees
Bullitt County Public Library

Dolorse Ashby
President
Board of Trustees
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