## LONESOME PINE REGIONAL LIBRARY REGULAR BOARD MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES NOVEMBER 3, 2022

PRESENT: Mr. Lu Ellsworth

ABSENT:

Ms. Martha Jett

Mr. Chris Allgyer

Ms. Jennifer Meade

Mrs. Ethel Daniels Ms. Earlene Lester Ms. Rebecca Scott
Mrs. Roberta Smallwood

Ms. Carolea Newsome

Ms. Sheila Phipps

Ms. Tammy Scott

Others Present: Hazel Jessee, Onedah Stanley, and Debbie Yates.

The regular meeting of the Lonesome Pine Regional Library Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, November 3, 2022 in the Harris Art Gallery at the Wise County Public Library.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ellsworth at 1:00 p.m.

- I. Mr. Allgyer made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Ms. Lester seconded and the agenda was adopted.
- II. There were no citizens to speak.
- III. Ms. T. Scott made a motion to adopt the October 6, 2022 minutes as presented. Ms. Newsome seconded and the motion carried.
- IV. Mr. Ellsworth reported that monthly payables had been reviewed. A printout of monthly payables for October was distributed for trustee information. After board discussion, Mr. Allgyer made a motion to receive the financial report as presented. Ms. Lester seconded and the motion carried.

The following check numbers were reported:

BeginningEndingGeneral Fund4252942583

## V. Director's Report

## Library Highlights

• Through her PowerPoint presentation, Ms. Jessee shared photos of October activities, displays and news throughout LPRL libraries. The children's fall programs and Halloween trick or treating events allowed for delightful photo opportunities. A generous donation of pumpkins to Wise library provided great crafting fun for children's programming. Businesses in the local towns are eager to participate with our fall events and welcomed the children's visits. Ms. Jessee expressed her gratitude for the community donations and support of the libraries.

- St. Paul library submitted a photo to share of the new memorial bench site since its installation has been completed.
- Adult fall crafting classes were well attended. Photos of participants with their completed projects were shared.
- As community events resume, our libraries are participating. Some of the events in October include Lee County Senior Citizen TRIAD, Lee County Festival in the Park, Town of Wise Fall Fling, "Trunk or Treat" at Coeburn Primary School and in the Town of Gate City.

## Administrative Highlights

- The privacy booth was installed at the Clintwood library on November 1. This concludes the ARPA grant and administrative staff will complete the final reports.
- Discussions are ongoing with our localities concerning building insurance coverage. Reponses have been received from Wise and Dickenson counties.
- The E-Rate process is continuing on schedule.
- The St. Paul memorial bench project has been completed.
- The Harris Art Gallery is currently displaying artwork by artist and art teacher, Luann Vermillion, from Jenkins, Kentucky. On Friday, November 4, the gallery will host Ms. Vermillion and approximately 45 of her students.
- Ms. Jessee noted that discussions are ongoing concerning the Wise County Historical Society proposal.
- Wise Library has received memorial donations on behalf of Helen Lewis and John Springer. Ms. Lewis was one of the founding members of the Wise library. Mr. Springer was a former co-worker at the Wise library/regional office.

The following items were distributed in Trustees' folders:

- Monthly Stats Report for October 2022
- ❖ Accounts Payable Checks for month of October 2022

VI. Mr. Allgyer made a motion to enter into Closed Session in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, pursuant to Code Section 2.2-3711 Paragraph (A) (1), Personnel exemption. Ms. Lester seconded; the motion carried.

Mr. Allgyer made a motion to return to open session. Open Session was resumed by all Trustees voting in the affirmative for Certificate of Closed Session. No action was taken on business discussed in closed session.

- VII. Unfinished Business None.
- VIII. 1. Friends of the Library Fundraising Requests -
- a. A fundraising proposal was submitted by Friends of the Jonnie B. Deel Memorial Library for permission to accept donations for a chance to win a handmade Christmas wreath and/or table centerpiece in December. All money raised from the fundraiser will be deposited into the Friends' bank account and will be used to support library programs and activities. A copy of the proposal was distributed in board packs. Mrs. Daniels made a motion to approve the proposal; seconded by Ms. Phipps. The motion was approved.

- b. A fundraising proposal submitted by the Friends of the Haysi Community Library requesting permission to sell handmade Christmas tree ornaments was presented for consideration. All money raised from the fundraiser will be deposited into the Friends' bank account and will be used to support library programs and services. A copy of the proposal was distributed in board packs. Ms. Newsome made a motion to approve the fundraising proposal; seconded by Ms. T. Scott. The motion was approved.
- c. A fundraising request letter was submitted by Friends of the Coeburn Community Library requesting permission to hold a raffle for a Dresden plate quilt that was donated to the Coeburn Friends by the Wise Quilting Group. All money raised will be used to assist the library with children's programming and summer reading. Ms. Lester made a motion to approve the fundraiser proposal; seconded by Mr. Allgyer. The motion was approved.
- 2. Ms. Jessee stated that Kids Central Head Start is planning a winter coat drive campaign and inquired about locating coat drop-offs at some of our libraries. After discussion, the board recommended the matter be tabled pending a centralized plan from Kids Central.

No further business was discussed. Ms. Newsome made a motion to adjourn the meeting. All signified agreement by rising. The meeting adjourned at 1:47 p.m.

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