

May Library Board Meeting
May 11, 2021
Minutes

Meeting called to order at 4:03 p.m.

Members present were: Bettye Legons, Chairman; Julie Cooper, Treasurer; Joyce Haworth; Anna Clark; Angie Hewett; Mary Carpenter, Regional Library Director; and Candy McAdams, Library Director.

Minutes:

The minutes from the 4th quarter meeting were reviewed by all members present. A motion was made by Joyce Haworth to approve the minutes and Anna Clark seconded the motion with all in favor.

Old Business:

A motion was made by Joyce Haworth to recommend Faye Kendall from Sharon to replace her on the Board at the end of her term which ends June 30, 2021. Julie Cooper provided the second with all in favor. The Board awarded Joyce with a plaque for her years of service from 2006-2021. The election of officers was the next order of business. All officers agreed to serve another year. Bettye Legons as Chairman, Lisa Morgan as Vice-Chairman and Julie Cooper as Treasurer. Joyce Haworth made a motion to accept them as new officers and Angie Hewett seconded the motion with all in approval.

Candy McAdams stated that the library had added some new programs for the summer reading events at the library that include Smokey the Bear; Eric Pelren, UTM Wildlife Biologist; Anna Clark; and Discovery Park.

New Business:

The library board received a copy of the library's Vision Statement to be approved and added to the By-laws. Anna Clark recommended a correction. A motion was made by Anna Clark to accept it after the correction was included. Angie Hewett seconded the motion with all in favor.

The Big Read selection for this year will be selected from the Greenfield book club's recommendation of "The Last Days of Night" by Graham Moore and the Dresden book club's pick for consideration of "The Sun Also Rises" by Ernest Hemingway. Candy McAdams announced that David Carithers from the UTM English Department will be conducting the discussion this year. The Board decided that they would let him choose the selection based on the title that he wanted to discuss. The Big Read dates of July 15th or 29th will also be set based upon his availability. Mary Carpenter said that the Regional Library would be available as in the previous years for the event. Lunch will be at the Hearth Restaurant in Martin at 11:00 a.m. for those that choose to dine and the Big Read will start at 12:00 p.m. All members approved the decision.

Anna Clark introduced pictures of the floor plan for the new Martin Library building and suggested holding a future Board meeting there in the conference room. The tentative date for the opening is set for the beginning of August.

Regional Report:

Mary Carpenter gave the report for the Obion River Regional Library. Handouts are attached to the minutes. Mary informed the Board of upcoming dates to note and the completion of the new State Library & Archives with a handout showing the new building. She brought the new Library Service Agreement for signature by the Board Chair. The standard targeted for update is an image evaluation of the library and its services. The Board should decide how they want to do it and an example is on the back of the Standards. It can be conducted by the Library Board or an outside party.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m. with a motion by Joyce Haworth and a second by Julie Cooper with all in agreement.