

Dade County Library Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm by Board President, Connie Roseman.

Present were the Library Director: LaNita Hackney; and trustees: Connie Roseman, Kathie Blackwell, Patricia Kreissler, Sherry Gillispie, and Angela Myers.

The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed. Kathie moved we accept the minutes, Sherry seconded the motion and it passed, 5-0.

The treasurer's report was given. The beginning balance was \$103,244.36. After deposits of \$19,437.02, and interest income of \$9.19, minus expenses of \$9,338.96, the ending adjusted balance is \$113,352.51. Angela moved we accept the treasurer's report, it was seconded by Kathie. The motion was approved, 5-0.

The Director's Report:

Old Business:

- A 12-month contract was signed with Mediacom to lock in the \$189.95/month price.
- Wi-fi equipment has been retrieved from the Greenfield Park and 408 Garrett. The equipment from other two locations will be removed tomorrow.
- The library website is being used: 55 patrons have accessed it with 138 total sessions. The survey that was attached to the website was taken down yesterday with positive responses to the questions.
- The library was closed last Thursday due to the weather. The parking lot was scraped and salted and we reopened on Friday but the furnace in the check-out area and reading room was not working. Using space heaters flipped the breaker. KB Mechanical came and determined the circuit board in the furnace burned out. It was replaced on Monday at a cost of \$437 for labor and equipment.
- Lou had suffered a mini-stroke before coming to work last Friday, and her condition deteriorated to the point an ambulance was called. She is back at work.
- The inventory of the Large Print Westerns has been completed, and the regular print Christian books has begun. It is a slower process due to more missing bibliographic/holdings information. The high school students did not come in last week, and are due to come in tomorrow.
- Income has been received from several sources: \$9.00 refund after the Hartford Audit was completed. The BOT approved adding \$4000 to the Technology budget last month, but that money had already been included in the original budget, so that money is available for other needs. Capital Credits for 2001-02 were received in the amount of \$46.10 from Ozark Electric Coop. A notice was received from MoreNet about Real Money subsidy savings of \$6,684.64 for 5 years after the new router and firewall were installed. The 2022 Real Money form will be received next week. The jackets that had been ordered for the staff were cancelled, and they were ordered through another company at a savings of \$130 and should arrive in early February.

New Business:

- The Equalization Use of Funds Report is due by February 15th. It is based on county population. In October, 2020 the first and second quarter funds were received and in April, 2021 the third and fourth quarter funds were received for a total of \$13,966.18.
- By the end of next week, the W-2's, 1099's, etc. will be completed and become available for distribution.
- Story Hour will be held on Mondays instead of Fridays beginning in March. Local preschools will be informed of the scheduling change.
- The dates for Summer Reading 2022 have been scheduled. Registration/Reading will begin May 31st. In-house presenters and activities will be held July 18-21 with Family Day held on Friday, July 22nd. An 8 week downloadable program with activities, reproducible sheets, etc. in addition to the SSR Theme "Oceans of Fun" is

being considered. Heather is going to contact the local aquariums in hopes of ticket donations that can be used as prizes.

- Nominations were opened for Board of Trustee Officers. Angela made the motion that Connie Roseman remain President, Kathie Blackwell remain Vice-President, Angela Myers remain Secretary, and Sherry Gillispie take over the duties as Treasurer for 2022. Sherry seconded the motion and it passed, 5-0.
- Patricia Kreissler will be stepping down from the board, and suggestions were requested for her replacement and should be submitted to LaNita.
- Staff salaries were discussed. Angela moved all hourly library staff receive a 50-cent an hour pay increase for 2022. Patricia seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. After discussion, Patricia made a motion to increase LaNita's yearly salary as director by \$5,000. Sherry seconded the motion and it passed 5-0. Custodial pay will remain the same at \$15 per hour.

After discussion, Angela moved we pay the bills with permission for KB Mechanical to be paid if they make the request before next month. Sherry seconded the motion and it passed, 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:16 p.m. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Myers
Board Secretary