

Pulaski County Library System
Board of Trustees Meeting
January 28, 2020
Pulaski County Public Library

Trustees Present: Margaret Spradlin; Parks Lanier, Jr.; Meagan Pratt; Jennifer McCarthy; Jan Booker; Kevin Siers

Trustees Absent: Lynne Clark; Drew Foxx

Staff Present: Carol Smith; Sally Warburton

- I. Call to Order: In the absence of Chair Lynne Clark, Vice-Chair Margaret Spradlin called the meeting to order at 4:30 at the Pulaski Library.
- II. Approval of Minutes: Jan moved to approve the minutes of November 26, 2019 as written; Kevin seconded the motion which was passed by those present.
- III. Library Reports: Copies of the following reports are kept at the Pulaski Library.
 - A. Expenditures: new budget statements were distributed and explained
 - B. Statistics
 - C. Director
 - D. Dublin Branch
 - E. Public Services: several Trustees commented on the programs taking place at the libraries. Complete-a-Puzzle-in-a-Day and the Binge Watch movies were appreciated as novel ideas for the library.
 - F. Technology: Carol explained the new means to provide Dublin Library with internet access as the library will be cut off when Dublin Middle School closes this summer.
 - G. Youth Services: Jan asked about books with an older publication date. Sally reported that we do not discard classics unless they are not being used by the community. Especially in the Juvenile books, the classics are often the books with the greatest amount of use. Ezra Jack Keats' book, *The Snowy Day* is the most checked out book of all time.
- IV. Follow-up from Previous Meeting and Other Reports:
 - A. By laws change: Parks made a motion to change the by-laws to reflect meeting on alternate months rather than meeting every month. Margaret seconded the motion. Sally reported that the State Library has no objections to this action and the motion passed.
 - B. Macmillan Boycott: Sally reported on the discussion that took place at the American Library Association Conference with librarians and the CEO of Macmillan. No changes were mentioned but many suggestions were presented. The policy is not written in stone and all are looking for creative solutions.
 - C. Comparison of Library Statistics: as requested, Sally presented a chart comparing statistics from FY2018 to FY 2019. Library visits and circulation of paper copies and computer use have decreased while circulation of electronic books, audio books, DVDs, and attendance at programs have increased.

V. New Business

- A. Election of Officers: Kevin made the motion that Jennifer be elected Chair and Meagan the Vice-Chair for 2020. Meagan seconded the motion which was approved.
 - B. Financial Disclosure Statements were completed and given to Sally for delivery to County Administration.
 - C. 2020 Census: a discussion was held on how the libraries may be involved in the census
 - D. Gallup Poll that was released January 24, 2020 was distributed to members. The poll shows that Library visits remains the “the most common cultural activity Americans engage in, by far.”
 - E. Ashley Hale was appointed by the Board of Supervisors to the Library Board.
- VI. Adjournment: There being no further business to bring before the board, Jan moved to adjourn, seconded by Meagan and approved. The next meeting of the Board will take place on March 31, 2020 at 4:30 at the Charles and Ona B. free Memorial Library.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Spradlin, Vice-Chair
Sally Warburton, Recorder

Approved: