

Minutes
Blue Ridge Regional Library Governing Board
Martinsville Library
March 15, 2017

Board members Margaret Caldwell, Janet Demiray, Betsy Haskins, Kathy Hodges, Bill Kirby, Carol Meyer, Bernice Scales, Mary Campbell Stromire, and Linda Wilson were in attendance.

Also attending were Director Rick Ward, Staff Administrative Assistant George Gutshall and Branch Manager Cecil Holland.

Board member Mary Ruth Reynolds was absent.

Call to Order:

Board Chair Janet Demiray called the meeting to order at 12:07 and welcomed those in attendance.

Minutes:

The minutes from the February 15th meeting in Martinsville were presented and Linda Wilson moved that the minutes be approved, Mary Campbell Stromire seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report:

George Gutshall reviewed the financial report.

He reported that there was nothing out of the ordinary to report. We have received approximately 72% of our revenue for this fiscal year.

He gave a brief overview of how the DSO works and noted that the state is currently holding about \$15,000 for us though we will probably not get that much as patrons will return material that is overdue or pay their fines to avoid the surcharges.

Bernice Scales moved that the financial report be accepted as presented, Kathy Hodges seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Betsy Haskins reported for the Marketing Committee that the patron survey is complete and Margaret Caldwell passed out copies for the board members to take and pass out in the community. They have arranged to set up tables and pass out the surveys at Walmart in Martinsville and Patrick County along with Lowe's Foods in Stuart. A sheet for board members to sign up to work the tables was passed around.

Old Business:

Regarding the Bookmobile Fundraising Drive, Linda Wilson reported that the committee was planning a fundraising event for September at the Reynolds Homestead that will include a basket raffle, author talk, and silent auction. Rick reported that he had finally gotten and sent the material for the USDA grant.

After some discussion, on a motion by Bill Kirby, seconded by Margaret Caldwell, the board unanimously approved spending \$18,500 from the Roy Mitchell and Hellriegel capital accounts to purchase four tables for the Ridgeway branch, window tinting and replacement lights for Collinsville, material for a Robotics Club at Martinsville, and having the parking lot at Bassett seal coated.

New Business:

There was no new business.

Friends Report:

Mary Campbell Stromire reported that the Friends gave out Valentines gifts to all staff members totaling \$1,050 and bought Legos and chess sets for the Martinsville branch. The next book sale will be in Patrick County on March 18th and the next sale in Martinsville will be April 28th and 29th.

Director's Agenda:

Director Ward referred the board to the printed director's report.

Rick reminded everyone that the board agreed to move next month's meeting to April 12th which will be at the Patrick County branch. This will also coincide with National Library Week and National Bookmobile Day.

Adjournment:

Bernice Scales moved that the meeting be adjourned at 1:10, Linda Wilson seconded, and the meeting was adjourned.

Recorder
Rick Ward

Carol Meyer
Secretary