Rockbridge Regional Library System
Board of Trustees Meeting – November 17, 2020

Virtual Meeting Statement:

Good morning, everyone. I am Julie Goyette, Director of Rockbridge Regional Library System.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Rockbridge Regional Library Board of Trustees is taking actions to minimize attendance at public meetings. In accordance with the Virginia Code Sec. 15.2-1413 allowing any meeting which requires the presence of members of a public entity such as the Board of Trustees may be held through real time electronic means without a quorum physically present in one location.

A notice of this meeting has been posted to the web calendar at rrlib.net and on social media. This meeting is accessible by phone.

We ask that speakers identify themselves when speaking.

All members of the Board of Trustees who arrive or leave the meeting must verbally note their attendance.

Are there any questions from the Board of Trustees about the process for holding this meeting?

There were no questions asked by the Board.

Attending the meeting:
Library Director Julie Goyette
Chair Bruce McWilliams
Vice Chair Alexandra Brown
Treasurer Carl Behrens
Deputy Treasurer Tom Lominac
Parliamentarian Joe Cailles
Secretary Beverly Slaydon
Board member Gail Heslep
Board member Doug Horan
Board member McKinley Williams
Board member Jessica Whipple
Board member Tom Goodale
Board member Thomas Bell
Foundation President Sally Wiant

Not attending: Board member Gail Heslep

A quorum of the board does exist.

Mr. Chair please proceed.

Mr. McWilliams asked for any questions regarding the board packet for this meeting. There were no questions.

The minutes of the October 20, 2020 meeting were approved as presented.

Discussion & Review

Mrs. Goyette asked for questions on the proposed FY 2022 Budget. Mr. Behrens commented that the library has done a lot of cutting of the library budget and thinks our requests should be approved by the localities. Mr. Lominac made a motion that we approve the Proposed FY 2022 Budget as presented. Mr. Horan seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the proposed budget.

Foundation Board

Mr. McWilliams asked Ms. Wiant if she would like to give an update on the Foundation Board's work. Ms. Wiant reported the Foundation has entered into an agreement with ECIO to become the Foundation's Financial Advisor.

The Foundation has also agreed to take over the annual fund raising letter each year in November. At the end of November, an article will be sent to the newspaper about giving to the library. After the article appears the annual appeal letter will go out. Money raised from this letter will go into the library's operating funds.

Mr. McWilliams thanked Ms. Wiant for working toward the goal of a Financial Advisor. Mr. Horan seconded that comment.

Round Robin:

Mr. Lominac commented it was a short meeting but a lot was accomplished and good news.

Mr. Goodale thanked Ms. Wiant for her work on the Foundation.

Ms. Wiant asked about curbside side service and the possibility of the Foundation helping the library raise money to put in a drive thru window. Mr. McWilliams thought this was a great idea and something the board will consider in the future.

Mr. Behens echoed Mr. Goodale's comment.

Ms. Brown liked the idea of the article in the newspaper about the library and thought this was something the board members should do in the future.

Public Comments

No public attended.

Next Meeting: December 15, 2020, 10 AM

Meeting adjourned at 10:41 AM.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly Slaydon, Recording Secretary