



Minutes

Oconee County Public Library Board of Trustees meeting

Monday, January 28, 2019, 5:30 p.m.

Seneca Library, 300 E. South 2nd Street, Seneca, SC 29678

Members present: Beverley Brackett (chair), Allison Griffin (vice-chair), Kelly Holleman, Lisa Martin (secretary), Marie McMahan, Chanda Morrison, Diane Smathers, Katie Campbell Smith, Alisa Suddeth

Members absent: none.

Press: Dick Mangrum, WGOG radio; Riley Morningstar, Seneca Journal

Guests: Mike Smith and Mike Johnson, Oconee County Planning Commission

Staff: Blair Hinson, Library Director

- I. Call to Order: 5:30 p.m.; brief introductions of all members were made for the benefit of new members
- II. Approval of minutes: meeting of Monday, November 19, 2018; motion made to approve minutes by M. McMahan, seconded by A. Suddeth. Approved unanimously.
- III. Public Comment: Limit of (4) minutes per person, 30 minutes total: none.
- IV. Friends' Report

Book sale figures: November, 2018

November sale: \$1,315.00; November Lobby sales: \$237.00; Seneca Lobby: \$42.00

December, 2018

December sale: \$1,003.00; December Lobby sales: \$126.00; Seneca Lobby: \$63.00; LFLs (Mountain Rest from Chastain Fund) \$82.00

New Library Board member and former Friends' Board member Diane Smathers pointed out that an area of emphasis for the Friends in the near future will be expanding membership.

- V. Committee Reports

A. Finance: none.

- B. Policy/Personnel: none.
- C. Building and Grounds: none.
- D. Community Relations: none.
- E. Capital Projects: none.

Seeing that there have been no active committees for some time, the Board voted to suspend the standing committees. A motion was made by K. Holleman, and seconded by M. McMahan. Motion passed unanimously.

- VI. **Chairman's Report:** Chair reported her visit along with OCPL staff to the Library Legislative Day in Columbia on Wednesday, January 16, 2019. Chair also reported about addressing Oconee County Council on Tuesday, January 22, and meeting with Oconee's state legislative delegation on Thursday, January 24.
- VII. **Director's Report:** provided. Director gave a brief history of the library legislative day and the State Library's budget request. Director also provided information about the progress to date on 2019 Summer Reading plans.
- VIII. **Old Business**

- A. **new staff parking lot in Walhalla:** Director reported that, as a result of the initial study, the South Carolina Department of Transportation was requiring a sidewalk, ADA connection, and crosswalk as a portion of the project. Additional engineering costs would be incurred. Discussion ensued. A motion was made by A. Suddeth to table the discussion of the project pending further investigation of the costs, and seconded by C. Morrison. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. **New Business**

- A. **Presentation by Oconee County Planning Commission about the 2020 Comprehensive Plan:** provided. There was discussion of a presentation by the Board as a whole to a future planning commission meeting about the needs of the library.
- B. **Closing the Walhalla Library at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 4, for a volunteer appreciation celebration:** Motion made by M. McMahan, seconded by K. Holleman. Motion approved unanimously.
- C. **Discussion of 2019 Summer Reading plans:** provided during director's report.

- X. **Adjournment at 7:15.**

Reported by Blair Hinson, Staff Liaison