

Pulaski Public Library Board Minutes
May 11, 2021

Present: Roy Randall, Roy Hunt, Nancy Lichtenstein, Bridget Collins, Robin Longley, Nikole Ives-Library Director

Absent: Mary Williams

Visitors: Elizabeth Woods, Jan Tighe

President Roy Randall called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM

A motion was made by Robin Longley to approve the agenda, Roy Randall seconded. It was voted upon and carried.

Public comments: none

A motion was made by Robin Longley to approve the agenda, Nancy Lichtenstein seconded. It was voted upon and carried.

Treasurer's Report: A motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report by Nancy Lichtenstein, seconded by Robin Longley. It was voted upon and carried.

Bills to be paid: A motion was made by Roy Randall to approve payment of the bills. It was seconded by Roy Hunt, voted upon, and carried.

Director's Report:

- Nikole reported on re-opening, including our June 1st full reopening date
 - New Schedule MWF 9-4, TR 9-6, Sat 9-12
 - Already allowing meetings and tutoring; book quarantine and storytime discussed
- Logo update: Multiple quotes were obtained for new logos, and we will continue the search to determine which company will be the best fit
- A New Circulation Desk is being requested; old desk has fallen into disrepair; the response was favorable due to the fact that we would be able to use money from this budget year that remains unspent
- North Country Library System has been talking of an ILS (Integrated Library System) merger with Mid York and Clinton Essex Library Systems and has decided not to; similarly, they have tabled a discussion about member fees until the ILS issues are resolved
- Library Clerk Lynn is celebrating 25 years of working at the library- discussion was held of potential celebrations of this milestone

Friends' Report: The Friends met May 5. President Elizabeth Woods' term has ended, and she will soon be succeeded by Elaine Delaney as President. Eileen Soika will be Vice President, JoAnn Hubbard will be Secretary/Treasurer, and Elizabeth Woods, Judy Spencer, and Donna Switzer will be the Board of

Directors. They approved Nikole's request for lounge chairs for the library, for which the Board of Trustees expressed their thanks for this generosity. Jan Tighe presented about trees and the No Pressure Book Club. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for September 1st.

Old business: None

New business: A search for a new trustee has begun once again, with discussion about the fact that a homeschooling parent might bring a helpful new perspective to the board. Board members will try to think about who might be a good fit for the job/have sufficient availability.

Bridget Collins made a motion to approve the proposal for new operating hours of the library, Robin Longley seconded, it was voted upon and carried. Roy Randall made a motion to approve the purchase of a new circulation desk, Roy Hunt seconded, and it was voted upon and carried.

Nancy Lichtenstein made a motion to fully reopen by June 1st, including meetings and story hours. Roy Randall seconded, and the motion was voted upon and carried.

Roy Randall, Roy Hunt and Robin Longley attended a virtual meeting for NCLS Trustees, and mentioned that there may be additional policies that we should consider creating and approving in the future. A discussion followed about our fine policy, which is still suspended due to COVID. We will decide at the next meeting whether/how to revise the policy.

The next meeting will be on June 8, 2021 at 4:00 PM.

Roy Hunt made a motion to adjourn at 5:0 PM. It was seconded by Nancy Lichtenstein, voted upon, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget Collins