

BOONE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MINUTES December 20, 2011

CALL TO ORDER: Pam Goetting called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m

PRESENT: Pam Goetting, President; Barbara Bardes, Vice-President; Jim Henning, Treasurer; Chris Grubbs, Secretary; Charles Seal; Sharon Elliston, Attorney Ziegler & Schneider; Carlyle Ackley, CPA; Greta Southard, Director; Carrie Herrmann, Public Service Coordinator

PUBLIC COMMENT: No Public Comment

AGENDA: The December agenda was previously emailed to Board members.

- ✓ **MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS RECEIVED, BARBARA BARDES. SECOND, CHARLES SEAL. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

MINUTES: Minutes of the November meeting were emailed to Board members.

- ✓ **MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES ADJUSTING CHRIS SEAL TO CHARLES SEAL AS THE SECOND ON THE ADJOURNMENT, JIM HENNING. SECOND, CHRIS GRUBBS. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report for November was previously mailed to Board Members.

- ✓ **MOTION TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT AS RECEIVED, JIM HENNING. SECOND, CHRIS GRUBBS. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

BUSINESS:

Trustee Recruitment: The Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives has asked the Trustee recruitment begins earlier than in previous years. Two names for each open position should be sent to KDLA 90 days before the term(s) expire. The application will be made available in early January. Information about the opening will be posted on BCPL's website, the county website, facebook, and twitter. A press release will also be sent to local media. A public information meeting will be held on January 31th. Charlotte MacIntosh, Regional Librarian, will lead the public meeting. Applications will be due by January 31st. The Board will choose names to send to KDLA at the February Board Meeting. Greta will contact individuals who applied for the unexpired term to determine if they are still interested in being considered for the two open seats.

Strategic Planning: Greta Southard distributed a list of possible stakeholder organizations/groups in Boone County to serve on the community planning group. The planning committee will develop vision, mission, goals and community impact. Staff will develop the activities to meet the direction given to the library by the planning committee. Discussion ensued about whom to add and delete from the list. Suggestion was made to invite people who are interested in participating in the process to answer a series of open ended questions. Community representatives could be chosen from the pool of interested residents. Greta Southard would like to be able to extend an invitation to participate in the two committee meetings by mid-January. Discussed what resources/information the planning committee will need to make informed decisions. In addition to library and county statistics, this information should include what other groups in Boone County have identified as goals/concerns for the community. This will help to create a more cohesive look at the county.

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT: Carlyle Ackley reported on the November statements. Also, BCPL has been notified by the Kentucky Department of Revenue that beginning in January we BCPL will receive 2% less in telecommunications tax. This will be a reduction of about \$2,000.00 in revenue.

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ATTORNEY'S REPORT: Sharon Elliston reported on three bills currently being considered by the Kentucky Legislature:

1. BR347/SB49: Prefiled by Senator John Schickel to amend KRS 173.490, relating to public library districts, to allow a county judge executive with the approval of the fiscal court to appoint members or fill vacancies of the library board when any of the prospective appointees presented to the judge, in the judge's opinion, are not suitable.
2. BR46/HB48: Prefiled by Representatives Joseph Fischer and Addia Wuchner to amend KRS 132.010 to change the definition of "compensating tax rate", and to add definitions for "Four (4%) rate", and "Taxing district"; to amend KRS 132.023 to require all taxing districts to calculate separate real and personal property tax rates; and to create a new section of KRS Chapter 173 to require the Department of Libraries and Archives to calculate tax rates for library taxing districts.
3. BR48/HB31: Prefiled by Representative Ron Crimm to create a new section of KRS Chapter 2 to set forth the criteria for the naming of public property owned, maintained, operated, utilized, or leased by the state or any of its political subdivisions, including school districts.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: The Librarian's report was received as emailed to Board members. In addition to the emailed report, Greta Southard handed out a copy of a letter to the editor in Cincinnati.com, "Hebron needs a new Library." This letter can be found at <http://communitypress.cincinnati.com/article/C2/20111211/EDIT/312110014/Column-Hebron-needs-new-library>

Greta Southard reported that she is working on handouts for the strategic planning committee. Greta also highlighted that BCPL has been awarded a \$100,000 grant from ALA and the FINRA Foundation. This is contingent upon the successful negotiation of a grant agreement from FINRA. The project includes monies for collection development and 12 months of programmatic activities geared to family financial literacy. Once the agreement is finalized a press release will be issued. Expect the PR to begin in mid to late January.

- ✓ **MOTION TO COMMEND THE PROJECT TEAM THAT WROTE THE SMART INVESTING @ YOUR LIBRARY GRANT, BARBARA BARDES. SECOND, CHARLES SEAL. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.**

She also highlighted the system wide signage audit that has resulted in collapsing several print pieces into fewer pieces. This will create less visual noise for customers and result in lower printing costs for the library.

The Care to Share program was a huge success in the number of partnerships created, the number of people served and the PR generated. Over 270 children benefitted from the resources generated by this program.

Local History staff is continuing to collect 1937 flood interviews and to digitize memorabilia. Staff will be conducting audio interviews at the 1937 Flood River Cruise (sponsored by BB Riverboats) on January 21st.

REGIONAL LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: The Regional Librarian's report was received as emailed to Board members.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, January 17, 2012, 4:00 p.m. at the Florence Branch.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m. JIM HENNING. SECOND, CHARLES SEAL. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Minutes taken by Carrie Herrmann.

Chris Grubbs, Secretary

Pam Goetting, President