Board Meeting Minutes

Zoom Conference Call

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Allison Whitecotton at 5:33 pm.

Present: Kathy Jones, Debbie Park, Amy Wallace, Alvin Mason, Heather Patton, Allison Whitecotton, and Thomas Pennington.

Approval of Minutes: Read by Kathy Jones. Debbie Park made a motion to approve the minutes, Heather Patton seconded, and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Alvin presented the figures, Allison Whitecotton made a motion to accept them as read, Heather Patton seconded the motion, the motion passed.

Library Report: COVID-19 closed the library, staff worked for 2 weeks to sanitize all library materials/weed outdated materials.

Regional Report: New director, Misty Hawkins and wants to be more involved with our board and happenings.

Old Business: Kathy recommended we put a hold on library moving plans for the time being. The pandemic has caused too many issues and uncertainties to pursue such a big expenditure at this time. All board members were in agreeance. Thomas Pennington made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the branch manager position opening, Allison Whitecotton seconded the motion, and the motion passed. Heather Patton made a motion to reopen regular session, Debbie Park seconded the motion, and the motion passed. Thomas Pennington made a motion to interview Amy Wallace for the Branch Manager position on April 14th at 5:30 pm over Zoom. Amy accepted the interview, Heather Patton seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

New Business: Thomas Pennington assured Kathy and Amy that once the two weeks of paid time off, if the library did need to remain closed, that the board will provide grounds for continued pay with staff working remotely during that time. Kathy and Amy explained that the library is currently working on virtual programming, long distance service, and phone management from home. It was decided that the other applicant for the position would be contacted only after an offer was made.

Adjournment: Thomas Pennington made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:08, Alvin Mason seconded, all were in favor, and the motion passed.

**Special Session after interview on April 14th

Amy Wallace was offered the Branch Manager position with \$45,000 as the estimated starting salary, benefits package was to be looked over and decided after board members could view county policy at a later date. Allison Whitecotton made a motion to grant this, Alvin seconded, and the motion passed.

Signed:

Allison Whitecotton, President

Date: 11-28-21