

## Mclver's Grant Public Library Board Minutes

Date: Thursday, Aug. 17, 2023 1:30 – 2:45pm

Those in Attendance: Board members J. Dan Gullett, Tonya Ball, Kari Bernier, Jarred Conway, Kristyn Gadlage, Paul Newbill, Connie Thompson, Claire White; Obion River Regional Director Jenny Gillihan; Library Director Vanessa Cain; Library Bookkeeper Phyllis Bowers; State Gazette reporter William Northcutt.

J. Gullett called the meeting to order.

No Public Comments presented.

Consent agenda items (June/July financials, Minutes from June 15, and Aug. 17 agenda)

Motion to approve consent agenda by K. Bernier; Tonya Ball second. Motion passed.

Welcome and Introductions for new board members.

V. Cain explained welcome packet.

### REGIONAL –

Librarian's report by J. Gillihan.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS-

Personnel – V. Cain - Katy Allen has been hired as Library Clerk/Communications Coordinator; Patty Morris has joined the library as an employee of the Tennessee Community Services Agency's Senior Community Service Employment Program.

Finance - V. Cain and P. Bowers – final preparations underway for audit; review of 22-23 FY Budget; update on city/county allocations; request for a meeting of the finance committee. (only one member of finance committee, so no meeting was scheduled)

Friends of the Library – V. Cain – still working on transition from Jordan Willis/Montrey Moore to Damaris Cook.

### OLD BUSINESS-

V. Cain updated new board members on changes suggested to only place Federal holidays on library calendars. No action was taken.

### NEW BUSINESS-

Director of Family and Children's Services Alexandra Thompson presented a report on Summer Reading programming: 26 programs with 402 participants. V. Cain praised A. Thompson for her work on the children's collection.

Request to close library for the entire staff to participate in professional development on Thursday, Nov. 30 and Thursday, March 28. K. Bernier made the motion; T. Ball second. Motion passed.

Librarian's report presented by V. Cain

\$10,000 donation to Special Account from John Lannom to be used for programming and outreach to serve all communities throughout Dyer County, especially the LGBTQ+ community. Check will be deposited into the Library's Special Account.

Changed the October meeting from Oct. 19 to Oct. 26 due to regional safety training.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45pm.