

Minutes  
Rappahannock County Library Board Meeting

June 22, 2023

*A. Call to Order*

Victoria Fortuna called the meeting to order at 4:35 pm in the Library's meeting room.

*B. Confirmation of Quorum*

Library Board Members present: Judy DeSarno, Victoria Fortuna, Maureen Harris, Bonnie Jewell, Kit Johnston, Debbie Knick, Patti Peterson, Randi Shumate.

Absent: John Beardsley

Staff present: Amanda Weakley - Library Director

Public present: None

*C. Approval of the Agenda*

Judy moved to approve the agenda. Kit seconded. The motion passed.

*D. Disposition of the Minutes*

Judy moved to approve the minutes. Kit seconded. The motion passed.

*E. Public Comment*

No public present.

*F. Report of the President*

No report.

*G. Report of the Library Director*

- Amanda attended the RAAC Grant Celebration June 3, 2023 where she was awarded \$2,700 for Senior Art Classes.
- Steve Cox of HydroClean Soft Wash has volunteered his services to clean the library exterior (no charge).
- A Pathways Academy Intern (RCHS student) interested in Library Science shadowed Amanda at the library.
- She attended a Piedmont Region Digital Equity Plan Work Group Meeting (with People Inc. and area stakeholders/agencies) on June 14.

- She will attend a Digital Equity Work Group Wrap-Up Meeting on June 26 and a Pathways Academy Presentation and Luncheon on June 28.
- The Summer Reading Programs for all ages is ongoing (115 children registered so far).
- Upcoming programs at the library include: Blue Ridge Wildlife- July 26, Community Event- August 2 with Popsicle truck provided by PATH Foundation and Rocknoceros - Washington's Legendary Band for Kids (and their parents), STEAM workshops Thursdays in July for ages 4-12, Senior Art Programming.

#### *H. Report of the Treasurer*

Debbie Knick provided copies of her report dated June 22, 2023.

#### *I. Committee Reports*

Personnel Committee - Victoria asked Bonnie about the status of the County's employment policies. Bonnie responded that until the County adopted a uniform salary scale for all county employees, which may include some pay increases for longevity, that the remaining policies would not be adopted by the Board of Supervisors. Until then the Library Board will not be able to review the draft policies to see how they might fit with the Library.

Expansion Committee - Patti reported that on June 5 John, Amanda and Gil (Enteros) met to discuss a less expensive redesign of the library expansion.

- Amanda shared the response from Enteros Design containing an updated amendment for the Concept Design for the Rappahannock Public Library (originally submitted March 15, 2021).
- Amanda's priorities are 1.) a larger meeting room 2.) Young Adult area 3.) Larger Children's Area – She is also concerned about ADA compliance throughout the building.

Buildings and Grounds - Bonnie no report.

Finance - Debbie Knick - see Treasurer's report.

Policy - Maureen Harris discussed the new FOIA policy Judy moved that we accept the new policy. Kit seconded. Library Board members voted and accepted the new policy unanimously.

*J. Old Business* None.

*K. New Business* None.

*L. Open Discussion*

Judy moved that the Expansion Committee meet with Gil. Victoria seconded. After discussion, the motion passed.

Discussion followed led by Patti that it is our fiduciary responsibility to inquire about the increase in cost regarding a new building design.

Amanda and John were tasked with meeting with Gil to explore cost.

There was discussion on creating a fund raising committee for the expansion. Judy and Kit volunteered to be on the fund raising committee. Judy agreed to be chairman.

*M. Adjournment*

Judy moved that we adjourn. Maureen seconded. Motion passed.

Adjourned at 5:30 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 27, 2023 at 4:30 pm.

Submitted by Randi Shumate, Substitute Secretary.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

President