

Tellico Plains Public Library
March 21, 2022

Items included in meeting- Balance Sheet, Budget, Profit & Loss, Agenda, County Library Info Sheet, Ocoee River Regional Library Report, Library Events Report

Members in attendance: Members-Pam Matthews, Mitch Millsaps, Kari Fisher/Gibson, Josie Wallace, Robert Hooper, Misty Pike , Kressa Mason. Guests: Nakienea Ledford (Library Director) Nikki Branam-Snyder (Assistant Director, Ocoee Regional Library)
Not Present Carrie Bram, Perry Brake)

Meeting called to order at: 0807

- Introduction of New Members

Presidents' Opening Remarks- Attending the county meeting. Mitch and Nakienea attended and presented a request for \$3000 increase to budget for programing and cleaning.

- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
 - Motion by Pam, Seconded by Kressa. All approved Motion carried.
- Old Business
 - The shed is in progress, not purchased, however location and design approved.
 - City did move funds as requested
- Financial Report (presented via reports)
 - Mitch discussed current balances.
 - Motion to approve by Kari, Josie seconded. All approved Motion carried.
- Director Remarks-Nakienea
 - Listed events on hand-outs. Discussed the needs for donations for the Easter with the Library including Easter Baskets for winners of Easter Egg Hunt.
 - Volunteer Federal donated \$50 via Kressa.
 - Summer Reading Program – Donations requested. Currently raised over \$1300 of the \$2000 budgeted.
 - Keep Monroe County Beautiful wants to partner with a Ink Cartridge Returns – all proceeds will be donated to the library. They will place a recycling bin in the lobby.
 - Library requests to use FOTL Tax ID for grant purchases.
 - Library seeks funding for solar charging table matching funds of 5% and the cost of a table not through the TOP grant
 - Motion made by Robert to proceed. Seconded by Pam. All in favor and passed.
 - Library has received donations in memory of former librarian Linda Morris and the funds will be used for new books.
- Committee Reports
 - None at this time.

- FOTL Remarks
 - Balance in the building Savings account \$87,115.52
 - The storage shed has not yet been purchased, however locale and aesthetics were approved and will be placed shortly.
 - Suggests partnering for a marketing team/sub committee and volunteered to help.

- Regional Library Representative Comments (Nikki)
 - Discussed the Information on the included handout
 - Handed Nakienya and Tulli training certificates for the trainings attended.

- New Business
 - Nakienya requested the status of an update on the building expansion status
 - No decision on how to proceed was made at this time after discussion of current status of funds and lack of bids by contractors.
 - Missy suggests a visual representation of the fundraising

- Wrap Up
 - Mitch commends the library staff...on the way they have handled belligerent patrons. And the staff is advised to ban patron(s) who have been warned and proceeds to be uncooperative.
 - Mitch and Nikki encourage Board members to complete the Trustee training offered online. The benefit to the library is that it increases our ranking in receiving grants

Meeting adjourned at 0914