

Pope County Library System
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

Russellville Library Heritage Hall

Minutes

May 26, 2021

I. Call to Order

Gary Rowlands called to order the regular meeting of the Pope County Library Board at 4:01 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26, 2021.

II. Roll Call

In attendance were BOT members Gary Rowlands, chair, Brent Etzel, Lawanda Dale, Polly Hardin, and Naomi Berry arrived at approximately 4:11 pm. Brent Etzel informed the BOT that he tendered his resignation to Judge Cross and this is his final BOT meeting, as he is relocating to Illinois to accept another library director position.

Also, present were PCLS staff Sherry Simpson, Interim System Director; Riley Taurone, Assistant System Director and Deborah Jaques, Director of Finance

Approval of Minutes

The Board moved to approve the January 27, 2021, minutes.

Motion: Etzel Second: Dale Unanimous: X

III. Director's Report & Old Business

Simpson discussed transitions in personnel including the retirement of Dana Gann and Jackie Blaney and the resignation of Eli Lilley.

Simpson also discussed the transition between Polaris and Atrium and that we are currently in negotiations to return to Polaris.

IV. New Business

It was pointed out that the demand for Bookmobile exceeds our current capacity, in order to increase services from three days a week to five days a week PCLS sought approval for the creation of a full time Bookmobile & Outreach Services Clerk position.

The Board moved to approve the expansion of Bookmobile Services and a Full Time Bookmobile position.

Motion: Dale Second: Etzel Unanimous: X

Due to unforeseen circumstances, it became necessary for Simpson to request temporary leave from the MLS Program.

The Board moved to approve granting a leave of absence from MLS program until Summer 2022.

Motion: Etzel Second: Hardin Unanimous: X

V. Adjournment.

The Board moved to adjourn at 5:01 p.m.

Motion: Dale Second: Hardin Unanimous: X