

Minutes of the Board of Trustees
William F. Laman Public Library
Via Zoom
February 8, 2021 @ 10:30 AM

The Board met via Zoom at 10:30 a.m. Ms. McLean called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Those present were Ms. Crystal Gates, Executive Director; Ms. Valerie McLean, President; Mr. Charley Baxter; Ms. Joyce Brewer; Ms. Esther Crawford; Ms. Kim Drake; Ms. Vicki Matthews; and Mr. Sonny Rhodes. Also present: Ms. Stacy Purdy, Ms. Shannan Hicks, Ms. Robin Campbell, Mr. Steven Simpson, and Mr. Richard Theilig. There were no public comments.

Motion Mr. Rhodes, second Ms. Brewer to approve the Minutes of January 13, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Gates reviewed the current financials. All present discussed moving the funds received from the Hamilton Estate into a savings account. Motion Mr. Baxter, second Ms. Crawford to authorize Ms. Gates to move the \$200,000.00 received from the Hamilton Estate to an unrestricted CD with interest to roll over upon renewal. Motion carried unanimously. Budget spreadsheets will be updated to reflect the CD accounts. Motion Mr. Baxter, second Mr. Rhodes to approve the Financial Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Gates reviewed the Statistical Report and noted that the library may add Sora to encourage more student use of the Overdrive collection. Motion Ms. Drake, second Mr. Rhodes to approve the Statistical Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Gates reviewed the Director's report, including her PTO balance and recent meetings. Currently, the joint NCLA/SELA conference is being planned as a hybrid conference, but with the ongoing pandemic it is expected to be virtual. Ms. Gates reviewed current Board terms and shared that Mayor Hartwick is aware of the term expirations and those board members interested in continuing their service.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 8, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.

Under board member comments, all present discussed the information Ms. Matthews shared regarding Nathan Hamilton. She suggested that the library consider holding a photo exhibit of his work (he was a photo buff) in the future. Ms. McLean shared that she had found additional information and will share that via email.

With no further business to discuss, motion Ms. Brewer, second Mr. Rhodes to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Crystal Gates, Secretary