

## **Shelbyville Bedford County Public Library Board February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

**Board Members present:** Ralph McBride, Shay Maupin, Mark McGee, Michelle Hasty, Dr. Gerald Martin, Betsy Noel, Jennifer Templeton, Brent Pewitt, and John Boutwell. Also present: Margaret Petty – Library Director and Kate Huddleston – Regional Director. Not present: Vida Vanatta and Bonne Belden.

### **Called to Order**

Ralph McBride called the meeting to order at 1:00PM with a quorum of nine (9) members.

### **Opportunity for the Public to Address the Board**

No report.

### **Approval of Minutes**

All approved.

### **Treasurer's Report**

All approved.

### **Regional Libraries' Report**

The Annual Library Salary Survey has been released to all libraries across Tennessee. Margaret Petty has a copy. If we want to see it, we can reach out to her. Kate Huddleston reminded the board that vacancies will be opening soon so we need to be observant of who is coming off. She ended with Teen Services & Programs will be available in April.

### **Old Business**

No report.

### **New Business**

Ralph McBride's term ends in June 2026. A new board chair will need to be voted on by the end of May. We will also need a new member to take his place.

### **Friends of the Library**

The Annual Luncheon will be at the Fly Arts Center this fall. The members plan to vote soon on the speaker.

Rheaetta Wilson was chosen by the Friends of Tennessee Libraries as the 2026 Friend of the Year. She will be honored in Knoxville, TN on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at TNLA's Friends and Trustees

Luncheon after her service to our library for 50 years. Margaret Petty has reached out to her daughter, Sarah Mac, in hopes that she will be able to accept the award in her mother's memory.

### **Personnel Committee**

Petty had nothing but great things to say about Savannah Bobo joining the staff as the Youth Services Librarian. A huge plus, she loves children. Bobo has a background in English literature. She is fitting in extremely well! The team is happy they are back at full staff.

### **Community Relations**

No report.

### **Property Committee**

There was a pre-bid meeting last Thursday, February the 19<sup>th</sup> – several companies in attendance. The bid will open this Thursday, the 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **Librarian's Report**

Everything is moved back into offices. The “flip” is officially completed.

Outdated clutter is being thrown out to make room for the things we do have and need to keep.

The rewiring went smoothly without any problems.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:44M.

Shay Maupin | Treasurer/Secretary