

## **Shelbyville Bedford County Public Library Board April 15th, 2025**

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

### **Called to Order**

Ralph McBride called the meeting to order at 1:07pm with a quorum of eight (8) members.

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

No report.

### **Approval of Minutes**

All approved.

### **Treasurer's Report**

All approved.

### **Regional Libraries' Report**

Kate Huddleston shared that the infographic has been updated for each library and is available. There is a virtual Partnership Fair taking place in May. She advised that only 3 trustees are certified – Shay Maupin, Mary Pitner, and Mark McGee. The rest of the trustees will need to complete their modules by June 30<sup>th</sup> so we can maximize the reward amount. A discussion about term quickly followed afterwards. Pitner's, Maupin's, McGee's and Templeton's terms are up for renewal starting this summer.

### **Old Business**

Jeff Pitts gave a quote of \$1,300 over our budget. However, he will continue with the project. He plans to start construction the week we are closed for renovations.

Margaret Petty has signed the contract with Monitronics – just waiting for their signature. She was able to confirm that this project can go towards the grant!

Petty met with Jeff Sweeney to go over details about the renovation. He and the architect, Mark Hawley, are working on drawings to have available by the next board meeting.

After more discussion about the grant and process of starting the projects, SBCPL will not need to get bids for the “bigger” jobs – only the “smaller” jobs. Ralph McBride mentioned that a

surveyor will need to come out and mark the lines. Petty said she would investigate it and see if there is someone the county uses.

Brent Pewitt made a motion to enter into an agreement for professional services, design, bidding and construction support for our technology patio area. Mary Pitner seconded the motion.

### **New Business**

In the 2025-2026 Proposed Budget, Margaret Petty has asked for an additional \$10,000 from both the city and county. The reason – the Construction Grant. She advised that we could receive up to \$200,000. If they see that BOTH the city and county are invested, you are more than likely to be awarded. The \$10,000 is not included in the overall amount. Only a 5% increase has been requested for the upcoming budget year. Ralph asked if they could get their money back if the grant isn't awarded. Petty said she would check and let us know.

Jennifer Templeton made a motion to approve the 2025-2026 Proposed Budget. Michelle Hasty seconded.

### **Friends of the Library**

The Friends of the Library decided to donate \$12,500 as matching funds for the ECF Grant.

### **Personnel Committee**

No report.

### **Community Relations**

No report.

### **Property Committee**

Dr. Gerald Martin plans to get in touch with Sherry about the missing lemur. He is missed.

### **Librarian's Report**

Petty was happy to share that TNLA was very informative. Plans to implement ideas in the move next week.

She will have a memorial update at May's board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:54PM.

Shay Maupin | Treasurer/Secretary