

Allegany County Library Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

September 13, 2022

4:00 p.m.

LaVale Library

PRESENT:

Deb Hendrickson, Renee Kniseley, Juli McCoy, Terry Michels, Bill Bingman, Sue Rudd and John Taube.

Library Leadership Team: Lisa McKenney, Andrea Everett, Ashley Swinford, Ali Cline

The meeting was called to order by Terry Michels.

A motion to accept the minutes of the regular meeting on August 9, 2022 was made by Renee Kniseley seconded by Bill Bingman and was approved.

A motion to accept both the statistical report and the financial reports of August 2022 was made by Sue Rudd seconded by Deb Hendrickson and was accepted.

On August 30, 2022 the Board met and immediately moved into a closed session to discuss two (2) personnel matters. Board members meeting at the Washington Street Library that day included Terry Michels, Sue Rudd, Deb Hendrickson, Renee Kniseley, and Bill Bingman. Library staff, John Taube and Andrea Everett were present for the discussion of one of the two (2) personnel matters. No action was taken on either matter discussed.

WELCOME JULI McCOY

TOUR OF LAVALE LIBRARY

PRESENTATION - Summer Reading Wrap-up - Ali Cline

NEW BUSINESS

Board Vacancy

Juli McCoy was named to the library board at the August 25, 2022 Commissioners meeting. Juli's term will go until June 30, 2027.

The Commissioners also reappointed Bill Bingman for a second term also ending on June 30, 2027.

Board member John Persons has resigned effective August 30, 2022 citing a time commitment conflict. In his place, the Board is considering numerous candidates and will select two to forward to the commissioners. The Board suggested that John contact Allen Shapiro and Tom Finan to gauge their interest in serving for the remainder of John Person's term.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Leadership Team Updates

- Director of Administrative Services
- Director of Human Resources
- Director of Outreach and Marketing
- Coordinator of Events and Programs
- Coordinator of Branch Services

LaVale Library - Renovation and Expansion Update

John reported that all departments were in the final stages of moving in and settling and the reopening celebration planning is on track.

PUBLIC COMMENT

ANNOUNCEMENTS and UPDATES

Branch Monthly Reports for August 2022 were sent via email. (The Materials Department update will be distributed at the meeting.)

Renee Mason was recognized by the City of Cumberland for the Chalk it up to Civility initiative!!

Our Hotspots grant has been renewed and expanded. The City of Cumberland has awarded ACLS another two (2) years of funding to loan 50 hotspots from the South Cumberland Library. The grant also expands the award to include circulating 30 hotspots from the Washington Street Library. Work will begin after the LaVale reopening.

WSL Windows and Sidewalk grant update

Work should begin in refinishing the exteriors of the windows at the Washington street Library very soon. The Commissioners awarded the sidewalk work contract to First Fruits Excavating at their September 8, 2022 meeting.

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 4PM at the LaVale Library.