CABELL COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Board Meeting May 18, 2021

The meeting was called to order by the President, Charles Bagley, in the conference room at the Main Library at 4:00 p.m. Board members present were Wendy Thomas, Betty Barrett and David Amsbary attended virtually and Jeanette Rowsey was present in person. Sara Ramezani, Jenny Pennington, Jeff Tigchelaar, Katie Curry, and Rob Davis staff members; and Judy Rule, Director, also attended.

Jeanette Rowsey moved and Wendy Thomas seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2021 regular meeting as presented. Voted and passed.

Wendy Thomas moved and Betty Barrett seconded the motion to approve the following warrants from the regular account at Huntington Banks for April: checks numbered 56373 through 56490 totaling \$225,686.68, Smart Tax of \$56,244.14, and other direct deposits of state taxes, child support, and other ACH disbursements of \$24,608.08, and from the payroll account checks numbered 35531 through 35544 and vouchers numbered 42288 through 42558 for direct deposits with the transfer totaling \$196,053.38 for a total expenditure of \$502,602.28 from the regular account. There were three checks written from the construction account in the amount of \$74,360.02. The total amount of checks written was \$576,952.30. Voted and passed.

Reports included the following:

- Jeff Tigchelaar updated the reports he had made earlier concerning security at the Main Library. Copies of the incident reports were sent to the Board previously. Jeff suggested hiring off-duty policemen at a cost of \$45.00 per hour for four hours weekly with the time of day and days of the week varying, He felt that the most appropriate times would be any day from either 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. or from 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. He further suggested doing this for a trial period of six months at a cost of approximately \$5,000. After discussion, the Board agreed that the Library staff should speak with the Huntington Police to see what they would recommend. A final recommendation will be presented at the next Board meeting.
- It was announced by the IMLS that Cabell County Public Library won the 2021 National Medal for Museum and Library Service. This is the highest honor a library can receive.
- Judy Rule called attention to the death of former Board member David Daugherty.

Construction of the new library in Barboursville is proceeding but the finishing date has been moved from September to the October/November time frame, A report on the fund-raising was distributed. It showed that \$1,535,407.63 had been added to the construction account since the last certification of match to the NEH. Kevin Barrett called and reported that he had spoken with Lawyer Bailey who reported that the sale of Audre Kaye's house was the last major item that needed taken care of. Kevin said that they had recommended that he put it up for auction with a base price of \$50,000 which is the only offer they have had. This would move the closing of the estate more quickly so the funds could be distributed.

David Amsbary moved and Jeanette Rowsey seconded the motion move ahead with this plan so the funds can be used for the NEH match.

Jeanette Rowsey moved and Betty Barrett seconded the motion approve the insurance as

presented to the Board and given by USI. Voted and passed.

Jeanette Rowsey moved and Betty Barrett seconded the motion to approve the Budget for 2021-2022 as presented. Voted and passed.

Wendy Thomas moved and Jeanette Rowsey seconded the motion to request the County Commission re-appoint David Amsbary to the Board for another five year term. Voted and passed with David Amsbary abstaining.

Jeanette Rowsey moved and David Amsbary seconded the motion to approve the revision of the Covid-19 procedures. Voted and passed.

Charlie Bagley noted that this would be Jeanette Rowsey's last meeting as she will be moving to Texas. The entire Board wished her the best and she promised to come back for a visit when the new library is completed in Barboursville.

There was no further business and the meeting adjourned.

Lidy K. Rule, Secretary

Charles Bagley, President