

**MAURY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES: MINUTES**

March 22, 2022
Columbia

Present: Joel Friddell, Peggy Richardson, Jan McKeel, Steve Burt, Zelia Dinwiddie, Christa Martin, Brian McKelvy

Also present: Zac Fox MCPL Director, Anne Osborne BRRL, Linda Spresser Students' Club

Call to Order: Chair Peggy Richardson called the meeting to order and opening thoughts were given by Christa Martin. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Student's Club: Linda Spresser reported that the Students' Club has a full roster and that book sales on Mondays are going well.

Buffalo River Regional Library: Anne Osborne presented the Tennessee Standards for Public Libraries 2021 report. She pointed out that Maury County met most of the standards, but was lacking in a couple of areas in particular in regards to percentage of local appropriations. There was a short discussion on the areas that needed improvement with Anne answering questions from the Board and offering suggestions.

Director's Report: Zac Fox reported that the Library continues to be quite busy. Zac gave updates on job postings for vacancies and the process of reclassification of one of the positions. The Library will be closed on Mule Day and the staff will be taking additional time on the day before to finish certifications and reorganization of the fiction section in the Children's Library.

New Business: Peggy Richardson informed the Board that James Sloan has been meeting with Hewlitt Spencer to get construction costs for the Library expansion. The plan is to have James make a joint presentation to the Library Board and Foundation Board at the same time at the April meeting. Peggy also reported that the nominating committee had selected candidates for Board officers; Board Chair, Joel Friddell, and Secretary, Jan McKeel. After the presentation a vote was held and both candidates were elected. Peggy suggested that a building committee should be formed for a regular inspection of the facilities so that the Board could be better informed as to maintenance and special needs. There was a short discussion about maintenance issues. Once again, the subject of the handicap access doors not working or being repaired was discussed. The County says that the motors need to be replaced, but there is no timeline for repair. Further complicating the problem is whether the Maintenance Dept. or Library budget should be used for the repairs. Board members expressed frustration at the failure of the County to address the entry doors. Brian McKelvy suggested that the lack of attention to the ADA compliance should be brought before the Commission Building Committee. Peggy made final remarks to the Board and thanked everyone for their support during her tenure on the Board. Joel presented Peggy with a donation in the amount of \$1000 to the building fund in her name to honor her service.

Meeting Adjourned

Minutes recorded and submitted by MCPL Secretary, Joel Friddell