

Neosho Newton County Library Board Meeting

November 15, 2016

Board Members Present: Phyllis Blackwood, Jann Burnett, Karina Cole, Keri Collinsworth, Jonathan Russell, Beth Styron, Chris Yaudas, Tamie Williams, Margaret Crook

Board Members Absent: None

Library Staff Present: Carrie Cline

President Jonathan Russell called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Consent Agenda: Minutes, Budgeted Expenses, Financial Report

Phyllis Blackwood moved to accept the consent agenda, Beth Styron seconded. The motion passes unanimously.

Director's Report:

- In December we will need to get insurance quotes.
- The parade for the float was discussed. We will participate in both the Neosho and Seneca parades.
- The library will also participate in Breakfast with Santa, the morning of the parade.
- Carrie is working on the Summer Reading Program grant for next summer.
- The AWE computers (4) are old. By ordering them now we will save \$1500. We can save them for later.
- The "Bill of Rights Exhibit" is available to us at no charge.
- The shelving company we order from no longer makes the ivory color we have currently. We are still counting on getting Joplin Library's hand me down shelves.
- Staff appreciation day will be next Monday. There will be pizza and Sharon is making dessert.
- The board is planning to do the Staff appreciation week sometime in January or February.

Old Business:

A. Building Project Update

Jeremy Pant was here from BRANCO.

Floor plans for the library addition are still being finalized. There will be a teleconference Thursday to work on details.

We found out that Annie Bush does fundraising work for libraries. Carrie contacted her, and she is willing to fundraise for us, but she also gave us a name of another person who she recommends for fundraising. Carrie has not heard from her yet, so we are waiting on that.

We also received a bill from the architect, for half of their design fee.

We discussed the \$111,490.94 that is in the CBT money market account, and the \$188,266.22 that is in the Hometown money market account. The Hometown account is where the credit card payments go to (fines). We want to know if there is a specific purpose to the CBT account, or whether we can move it to the Community Foundation account.

New Business:

A. Server Bid

We need a new server to replace the 5 existing, aging, servers. We have a bid for \$17,799.89 from Midwest IT Services. It is our only bid, despite personally contacting multiple companies and begging them to submit a bid. We have the money in the IT budget to pay for this. Beth Styron made a motion to approve the server bid from MW IT serves. Chris Yaudas seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

A motion to adjourn was made by Phyllis Blackwood. Tamie Williams seconded the motion. The vote to adjourn was unanimous.

Closed Session: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Keri Collinsworth

Board Secretary