

Minutes

Laurens County Library Board of Trustees

January 20, 2016

4:30 pm, Board Room of the Laurens County Library

Attendance: Dr. John W. Womack, Ms. Rose Blackstone, Ms. Wanda Woody, Ms. Shirley Jefferson, Ms. Sandra Power, Ms. Annette Senn Crawford, Ms. Ann Howell, Ms. Ann Szypulski

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.

The press was notified on January 4, 2016.

Minutes: The minutes of the October meeting were reviewed. Ms. Woody made a motion to approve the minutes, Ms. Power seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was approved.

Financial Report: Ms. Szypulski presented the financial report as prepared by Accountant Mike Fortune. She said the report contains the numbers of income and expenditures for the first and second quarter. She said spending was on track with no unexpected costs. The Board Members present reviewed the report and accepted it as information.

Presentations : Ms. Power presented the library with a book, *The Cow in Patrick O'Shanahan's Kitchen* on behalf of the Women's Committee of the Laurens County Farm Bureau. Ms. Szypulski thanked Ms. Power and said that the book would be plated and added to the collection.

Ms. Szypulski gave the Board members calendars from the Laurens County Soil & Water Conservation District. Connie Daniels, a LCSWCD staff member had made the calendars and had brought them by for the Board and had said that she was able to make them only with the help of LCPL staff!

Closing Schedule: Ms. Szypulski presented the closing schedule for 2016. The Board reviewed it. Ms. Jefferson made a motion to accept it and Ms. Woody seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the closing schedule was approved as presented.

Legislative Day: Ms. Szypulski said that our assigned day for meeting with our legislative delegation is Wednesday, March 2. Dr. Womack, Ms. Power and Ms. Howell expressed an interest in going. Ms. Szypulski reviewed the legislative goals for the year which include funding State Aid at \$1.50 per capita and be included in education lottery funding at approximately \$.43 per capita. Ms. Szypulski said she would contact those interested in a few weeks to plan the trip.

Budget for 2016/17: Ms. Szypulski said she has begun to plan for the 2016/17 budget year. She asked for input on any capital requests. After discussion it was agreed that Ms. Szypulski and the Board would request a new bookmobile and carpeting for the Laurens Library. Ms. Szypulski said she would work on getting an estimate for the carpeting. Usually the budget request is made in April or May.

Director's Report: Ms. Szypulski presented the Director's Report and discussed the success of recent continuing education programs, the addition of Flipster, the Bookmobile and the success of Tech Help. Ms. Szypulski also presented the quarterly report from the Clinton Public Library.

Friends Report: Ms. Howell discussed Friends activities and said that the Friends were looking for more Board Members. She said the Friends were beginning to plan for the April Annual Meeting.

The Board meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Ann R. Szypulski 1/25/16