

Putnam County Library Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 14, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 by Chairman Sue Pogue.

Board members attending: Ms. Beth Thompson, Ms. Alma Anderson, Dr. Gerald Barker, Mr. Larry Garrett, Ms. Faith Holdredge, Ms. Sue Pogue, Ms. Marla Williams

PCL Staff attending: Ms. Doyleene Farley, Ms. Stacie Johnson, Mr. Brian Page, Mr. Clay Robertson, Ms. Dale Stapp

Also attending was Ms. Faith Holdredge, Interim Director of the Upper Cumberland Regional Library and Director of Caney Fork Regional Library.

Minutes: Alma Anderson made a motion to approve with corrections the minutes of the January 10, 2012 Board meeting. Larry Garrett seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Mr. Robertson presented the current budget report stating that the library is currently on target for expenses for the year. As was also stated last month, the current budget shows an increase in software because of prepayment to TLC for services. The treasurer's report was approved with a motion made by Alma Anderson and seconded by Larry Garrett, motion carried.

Old Business: N/A

New Business: N/A

PCLS Director's Report: Ms. Rosemary Cooper retired in January. The library posted the full time library clerk position and received nine applications in response. The library would like to fill her position and also add a second full time position. Based on PCLS bookkeeper Barbara Zimmerman's projections this is possible. Discussion by the board concerning the financial aspects of adding a full time position followed Mr. Robertson's request. There was also discussion about how the position could affect long term savings, and how the position could benefit the library. Alma Anderson moved to follow Director Clay Robertson's suggestion to add an additional full time position. Larry Garrett seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Stacie Johnson reported on the e-reader class conducted at the library in January. Dale Stapp reported on the recent Summer Reading Conference at the Brentwood Library which was attended by Doyleene Farley, Sarah Lewis, Stacie Johnson and Dale Stapp. This conference had many sessions, displays and discussions on ideas for the upcoming summer reading programs for children, teens, and adults.

Landscaping will begin as soon as the weather permits.

Branch Reports: Doyleene Farley reported on the success of the library system's new Outreach Program which is delivering books to preschools and nursing homes in Algood, Cookeville, and Monterey. This service is replacing the service that was provided by the UCRL. Doyleene is delivering outreach books to four organizations and Stacie Johnson is delivering to four organizations. Doyleene is also conducting story time for three classes at the Monterey Headstart, one story time at a local preschool, and one preschool is coming to the Monterey Branch Library for a special story time.

Regional Library Reports: Ms. Faith Holdredge has been appointed Director of the Falling Water River Regional Library. The staff has been decided for the region. The regional library is currently working on inventory and surplus. The Falling Water Regional Library will become the location for the new courier center for interlibrary loans. The courier system will begin after July 1, 2012.

Friends of the Putnam County Library Report: Coffee with an Author on January 21, 2012 was well attended. Saturday, February 25, 2012 will be the next Coffee with an Author event and will feature Crossville author Victoria Williams-Fisher. This will be followed by the final Coffee with an Author at the Home and Garden Show at the Hyder-Burks Pavilion on March 3. The Friends are also working on coordinating a spelling bee for fourth grade students.

The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Alma Anderson and seconded by Larry Garrett.