

Rusk County Community Library Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 9th, 2021

Present: Randy Tatur, Hollis Helmecci, Leah Fuse, Anna Kauffman, Cindy Pohlman, Annette Barna

Chairman, Randy Tatur, called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. in the upper library.

The board reviewed the October 12th, 2021 meeting minutes. A motion to approve the October 12th, 2021 minutes was made by Cindy Pohlman and seconded by Anna Kauffman. The motion carried.

The board reviewed the October 2021 financial statements. A motion to accept the October 2021 financial statements was made by Leah Fuse and seconded by Cindy Pohlman. The motion carried.

The board reviewed the October/November 2021 invoices. A motion to approve the October/November 2021 invoices was made by Anna Kauffman and seconded by Cindy Pohlman. The motion carried.

There was no discussion or report about the 2022 budget.

Next, the board discussed maintenance issues. The outside building project is on hold until spring of 2022. They will honor the contract as written! The board discussed inside maintenance issues. All maintenance orders requests are to be written and given to the county for completion.

At 5:37 P.M. a motion was made by Annette Barna and seconded by Cindy Pohlman, to go into closed session. 19.85(1)(c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Library Director Hiring Committee's recommendation for library director and determine the starting wage range for the individual. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

At 6:15 P.M., a motion to return to open session was made by Annette Barna and seconded by Cindy Pohlman. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried. After the board resumed in open session, a motion was made by Annette Barna and seconded by Anna Kauffman to offer the Library Director position to the first applicant recommended by the search committee, with the wage rate discussed during closed session and if the offer is declined, by the first applicant, then the job will be offered to the second choice applicant. The motion carried.

The director's report was given by Hollis Helmecci. The budget is on track. The library is open with full hours. Schools are not being permitted to visit, due to COVID-19, at this time.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 14th, 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Leah Fuse