



Board of Trustees
April 15, 2019 4 pm

MINUTES

Regular Meeting Ann Henry Board Room

Trustees present: J. Parry, R. Qualls, B. Park, M. Rice, H. Garner, B. Bagwell, and S. Overbey
Staff present: D. Johnson, W. Fitzgibbon, S. Davis, S. Daniel, L. Yandell, S. Litzinger, S. Palmer, C. Moody, S. McClure, H. Robideaux, and C. Dennis
Others: V. Chadick

Our mission is to strengthen our community and empower our citizens through free and public access to knowledge.

I. The meeting was called to order at 4:01 p.m.

II. **M. Rice moved to approve the minutes of March 25, 2019; R. Qualls seconded. All voted AYE.**

III. Judge William Storey swore in continuing trustee, Hershey Garner, to a second 5-year term.

IV. Reports

A. Upcoming events: Khaled Hosseini on April 26 is expected to draw a crowd.

B. Library administration

1. Management reports

a. Performance measures: Wireless use and eBook check-outs are surging. Staff will investigate making it easier to locate the right app for reading an eBook.

b. Strategic plan progress through March 2019: FPL partners with a wide variety of community organizations to better serve the community and build awareness of the library.

2. Financial reports

a. The report on budget to actual through March 2018 will be available at the May meeting.

3. Informational

a. Library expansion project update: On April 9, construction work near the loading dock breached buried electrical lines. The ensuing power outage caused the library to close midafternoon. The schedule for some of the power relocation work is being moved forward. Trustees also discussed the importance of making West Street safe for pedestrians during construction.

b. Automatic renewals: Staff are considering automatic renewals of items checked out. This would eliminate patrons from having to initiate renewals, and current circulation policies would not be altered.

c. Read for Fees, where patrons read to pay down fines, is popular.

d. Books & Bites: C. Dennis documented the success of the Books & Bites program with a PowerPoint presentation.

e. Audit update: Auditors are here through the week of April 22. They will meet with the Board's Finance Committee around May 19, and will present the completed audit at the Board's June meeting.

f. Arts Corridor: Nothing to report

c. Fayetteville Public Library Foundation: Nothing to report

d. Friends of the Fayetteville Public Library: Discussion continues about moving Friends to the Foundation.

V. Old business: Trustees and staff discussed improving navigation on the library's website. Suggestion was made to include a hyperlink for all events being streamed. Appreciation expressed for the Board's support of Fayetteville's special election that approved 10 bond initiatives.

VI. New business

A. Consent items: None to report.

B. Discussion items

1. President Parry appointed S. Overbey and B. Bagwell to the Nominating Committee. The committee will present a slate of officers at the next meeting.
2. President Parry appointed S. Overbey to continue as the liaison to the Friends Board.
3. President Parry appointed M. Rice and B. Bagwell to serve on the Finance Committee.

VII. Public Comment

VIII. Adjournment: **H. Garner moved to adjourn the meeting; M. Rice seconded. All voted AYE. Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.**



Bret Park, Secretary

10 June 2019

Date