

Meredith Public Library Trustee Meeting  
Thursday, August 23, 2018  
6:00PM

The meeting was called to order at 6:07PM.

**Trustees Present:** Bill Bayard, Paul Eldridge, Lisa Garcia, Jonathan James, Sarah Johnson (for Ann Butler), Betty Strader, Paula Wanzer (for Ginny Lovett)

**Absent with Notice:** Ann Butler, Ginny Lovett

**Others Present:** Erin Apostolos, Library Director, James McFarlin, Meredith Library Fund President

Old Business

- I. ***Vote to accept Community Matters report. Motion made by Eldridge, seconded by Bayard.*** Discussion: McFarlin emphasized the importance of the press release about the BOS and Trustees working together on the building project. Many comments voicing concern over the relationship in the report. This needs to be addressed before fundraising moves forward. Garcia will have press release ready by second week of September. ***Motion passes.***
- II. Northway Bank Checking. ***Motion to accept memorandum removing Duncan McNeish and Rhetta Colon from Northway Checking account and adding Ann Butler, Betty Strader, William Bayard and Paul Eldridge was made by Strader and seconded by Johnson. Motion carries.*** Butler needs to sign document. Apostolos will then mail it in.

New Business

I. Long Range Plan

Reflect-comments on plan draft

- Technology classes at a more advance level
- Seniors feel disenfranchised at Senior Center; Library can fill that role?
- Bring OLLI to Meredith. Add Senior Mentorship
- Have non-library personnel run more library programs
- More collaboration with other organizations; present program at Altrusa dinner
- Promote our technology more
- Coordinate with the Town more
- Promote events at Community Center and Town Hall with flyers
- Reach out to Older Adults; Memory Day; Volunteer
- More businesses are run from home and tele commuting; reach out to them, provide a place for networking
- Succession Plan for Trustees-connections in the community
- Teen group...hear from them and their needs

- Add recreational therapist to library
- Create social connections "Library as community living room"

Plan

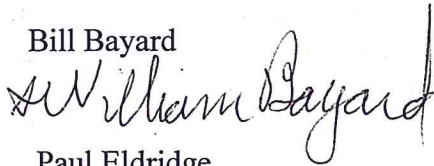
-Numerous suggestions for edit to the draft. ***Garcia will redraft Long Range Plan incorporating suggested changes from the meeting.*** Vote to accept will be at the September 11 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin M. Apostolos

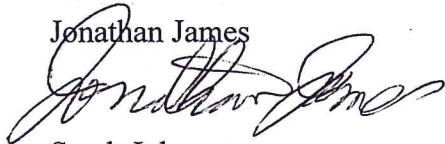
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