

**Minutes from the Cusseta-Chattahoochee County Library Board Meeting  
Tuesday, January 28, 2020 – 6:00 pm  
Cusseta-Chattahoochee County Public Library  
Cusseta, GA**

**In Attendance:**

Kelli Dixon, Chair  
Andrew Thomas  
Laura Lee Bernstein  
Joe Addison  
Vanna Lynch

**Also in Attendance:**

Alan Harkness, Director  
Felecia Malave, Admin Assist. To the Director  
Pam Burgamy, Branch Manager  
Martha Burgamy, Former Treasurer

Chair Kelli Dixon called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

Chair Dixon asked the minutes be approved from the October 15, 2019 meeting. Vanna Lynch moved to approve the minutes, Andrew Thomas seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously by Dixon, Thomas, Bernstein, Addison and Lynch.

**Treasurer's Report** – Former Treasurer Martha Burgamy went over the financial report for the last quarter of 2019. She also says once a new treasurer is appointed on the board, she will hand over the books. The books and all financial records will also be audited prior to being handed over.

**Directors Report** – Director Alan Harkness gave an update on the Fines Free Policy across the system. New cards are up 34% across the library system and 20% in Cussta. Circulation is also up system wide. Mr. Harkness also said having Delia Owens at CPL last week was a huge success, approximately 600 people were in the building for the event. Joy Harjo will be coming to the libraries next month for Big Read. The Columbus Children's Book Festival will be May 16<sup>th</sup> at CPL with several big name authors coming to be a part of the event. Alan also talked about the Cusseta Chamber Dinner and said it was an enjoyable event. We will have the results of the focus group discussions soon.

**Local Library Report** – Branch Manager Pam Burgamy says the survey for the new construction was done this week. The new temporary building should be plenty big for the library. The branch held a teen program today, Wacky Waffles, with 11 teens in attendance. Pam says the branch is working to revamp and reenergize the branch and community with the help of the two new employees. The branch is planning to also begin doing exercise classes during branch hours. Community engagement and participation at the branch has seemed to pick up since the addition of new employees.

**Unfinished Business –**

- a. **Approve Changes to Cusseta-Chattahoochee County Library Board Bylaws** - Andrew Thomas moved to table the approval of the bylaws to the April meeting. Joe Addison seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously by Dixon, Thomas, Bernstein, Addison and Lynch.
- b. **Vote to approve Laura Lee Bernstein and Joe Addison to CCPL Board** – Vanna Lynch moved to approve both Bernstein and Addison to the CCPL Board. Andrew Thomas seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously by Dixon, Thomas, Bernstein, Addison and Lynch.
- c. **Nomination and Election of Board Treasurer** - Laura Lee Bernstein nominated Joe Addison to serve as the CCPL Board Treasurer. Vanna Lynch seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously by Dixon, Thomas, Bernstein, Addison and Lynch.

**New Business:**

Vanna Lynch motioned to add items to the agenda, Joe Addison seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously by Dixon, Thomas, Bernstein, Addison and Lynch.

- a. **Funding Agent Luncheon** - Kelli Dixon would like to have the Funders Luncheon March 11th at 11:30 am. Committee will be Vanna (chair), Andrew, Pat, and Elayne. Committee will convene and organize the event.
- b. **Selling Library Furniture** - Joe Addison motioned to approve the sell of unused furniture in the library, Andrew Thomas seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously by Dixon, Thomas, Bernstein, Addison and Lynch.

**Chair Report** - Kelli thanked Martha Burgamy for all of her service and helping Joe as the new treasurer. The branch won the float for the Christmas parade. Breakfast with Santa was a success at the branch. The library recently hosted a community baby shower that was a success.

Board Education – None

Next Meeting Date – April 21<sup>st</sup> 2020

Meeting Adjourned at 6:43 pm.