

Minutes from the Marion County Library Board Meeting
October 8, 2020 – 4:30 pm
Via GoToMeeting

Present:

Patricia Henson, Chair
Kesia Rembert
Cindy Haulk
Virginia Dennis

Also Present:

Kim Scott, Branch Manager
Alan Harkness, Director, CVL
Felecia Malave, Admin Assis. to the
Director
Gabriel Lundeen, Deputy Director

Chair Henson called the meeting to order: 4:31pm.

Chair Henson asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the June 11, 2020 meeting as corrected. Kesia Rembert so moved. Cindy Haulk seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously by those in attendance.

Treasurer's Report – Branch Manager Kim Scott asked everyone to review the budget report sent to the board. With no questions, Cindy Haulk moved to approve the budget report, Kesia Rembert seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously by those in attendance.

Director's Report – Director Alan Harkness reported the library will move to Phase 2B of reopening on Monday, October 12. This adds browsing in the stacks (Grab and Go), new library card registration and continued use of computers. System wide, electronic usage is up about 50% this year as of September, while book circulation is about half of the previous year. We think the numbers will go up with browsing. Reopening is being done very slowly and deliberately to help keep everyone safe. Staff day will be in February, virtually.

Branch Report – Manager Kim Scott reports there are safety measures in place in the branch to help get ready to reopen for browsing. Materials will continue to be quarantined in the library for four days after returned. The community is already excited about the reopen for browsing. There can be 10 total people in the library.

New Business –

- **Approve changing the Marion County Public Library open hours to 10:00am-5:30pm on Mondays, Tuesday, Wednesdays, Fridays with 12:30pm-1:00pm closed for lunch and Saturdays 10:00am-2:00pm. These hours would start after CVL reopens with full services after the pandemic restrictions.** Kesia Rembert motioned to approve the changes to the hours of the branch. Virginia Dennis seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously by all in attendance.

Chair Report – Chair Henson thanked the staff for their hard work. She says she hasn't heard any complaints from the community about the changes in the branch. Many people are excited about the branch reopening for browsing.

Next meeting will be January 14, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 5:08 pm.