

Muscogee County Library Board  
Thursday, October 23, 2008  
South Columbus Public Library

Minutes

Members Attending

Mimi Childs	M. A. Dowdell
Lisa Goodwin	Gary Griesheim
Meridith Jarrell	Barbara Kamensky
Kelly Pridgen	Frank Star
Bobsie Swift	Price Walker, Jr.
Helene Watson	

Members Excused

Jay Alexander	Jimmy Elder
Rick Covington	Linda Harper
John Phillips	Pat Hugley-Green
John Wells	

Chair Bobsie Swift called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Committee Recommendations

Bylaws Committee

Bylaws Revision – Committee recommendation to amend Article II, Section 5 and Article V, Section 6. This was a second and final reading of the bylaws revision. **The recommendation was approved unanimously.**

Nominating Committee

Proposed Slate of Officers – Meridith Jarrell presented the report. The committee recommended the following slate of officers for the 2009 fiscal year.

Kelly Pridgen	Chair
Frank Star	Vice Chair
Mimi Childs	Secretary
M. A. Dowdell	Treasurer
Bobsie Swift	Past Chair

The committee recommended reappointment of Mimi Childs and Lisa Goodwin for three year terms and the appointment of Clark Gillett (replacement for Sherrod Taylor) and Barbara Mack (replacement for Trena Trice) to two-year terms.

**The recommendations passed unanimously.**

Ms. Jarrell encouraged members to get resumes from individuals they feel would be beneficial members of the library board. She stated to explain to individuals that the Board maintains a file of individuals interested in serving on the Board. Chair Swift stated that the committee will keep the resumes of those individuals who were not selected this year. Mimi Childs encouraged members to also write a brief paragraph about individuals they recommend for appointment because members on the committee do not always know the individuals and a reference note by board members would be helpful.

#### Operations Committee

Job Description Revision – Young Adult Service Coordinator – The committee recommended the change in title to Teen Services Coordinator to more closely reflect the duties of this position. It was explained to the Board that this position is located at the Columbus Public Library works closely with all branches to assist with teen programs and services. **The recommendation passed unanimously.**

Frank Star moved to add Meeting Room Use to the agenda as Item 2 under Operations Committee. Helene Watson seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Meeting Room Use – The committee recommended a change to Policy MNG4 to allow for charging fees prior to library opening hours. This change will clearly define that fees will be charged from the time the library closes until it reopens. There was one exemption to the policy and that was the Columbus Board of Elections will be allowed to use space prior to opening for actual voting. Ms. Muller explained that pricing on the meeting room charges did not reflect a charge for the CB&T/Synovus Room if it were broken out into separate rooms. The new chart also shows the new meeting rooms that will be available at the new Mildred L. Terry Public Library. **The recommendation passed unanimously.**

#### NEW BUSINESS

Combined November/December Meeting – Mimi Childs moved that the November and December Library Board meetings be combined due to the holidays and be held on Thursday, December 4, 2008. Barbara Kamensky seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Chair Swift informed the Library Board that the Park Coalition had notified a Board member stating that they had offered to mediate twice. The Chair asked Board members if they are approached by anyone about the status of the case to please state that it is ongoing and is being handled by the attorneys.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.