**Cherokee Public Library Board Meeting**

**February 2, 2022**

The monthly Board Meeting was called to order at 8:31 am by President Jomi Anderson. Present were Deb Hankens, Loretta Barrett, Al Julius (via Zoom), Darla Struck, Jomi Anderson, Betty Berigan, Linda Burkhart (via Zoom) , Lisa Perrin, and Julie Wright. Tyler Hahn was also present. The new Youth Librarian, Missi Rogge, was present.

For the first of the “items not on agenda”, Tyler said we received a $400 check from Larrabee. This is considerably less than what was assessed to them. After discussion, it was decided that the check would not be cashed. Betty moved that Tyler will contact the Larrabee City Clerk about the 28E Agreement and the $1,000 assessment. Deb & Lisa second and the motion carried. Jomi will assist with the process as needed. The second “item not on agenda” was Tyler’s request to move the date of the March meeting as he will be at the IMLS conference in Washington, D.C. on the 2nd. After discussion, we agreed to meet on Monday, March 7th at 8:30 a.m.

Darla moved and Betty second to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried.

The bills were reviewed. There were lots of lights that needed to be fixed this month, which is why the bills are higher this month. Lisa moved and Loretta second to approve the bills. The motion passed.

The monthly budget was not ready yet and Tyler will email it out to us when he gets it. Tyler says it was a basic month.

Correspondence: Tyler reports that this is National Library Week and the library is swapping library cards with other libraries around the country. He got a thank you note back. He noted there are 13 Cherokee libraries.

For education, Tyler reviewed that there hasn’t been much going on. There is a push to eliminate the Master’s requirement for school librarians and the other library related item is the freedom to read bill.

There was no old business.

New business: 1. Closing Policy – our policy was updated to follow city policy for closing. Betty moved and Deb 2nd to approve the updated policy. Motion carried. 2. We discussed replacements for outgoing board members (Betty and Julie completing Ruth’s term). Julie can come on the board for her own term. Tyler has had only 1 inquiry. Names need to be presented to the City for approval. Tyler will advertise on social media & in the paper and has a letter to send to interested parties. If you have prospects, give their names to Tyler and he will send them a letter. 3. Missi has started as the Youth Librarian and introduced herself to the board. She has started training this week.

Reports were brief. Tyler reported the City Council Budget Workshop is February 22, the Foundation Meeting is February 24th and everything has been moved upstairs to make more room for the fiction section. Erin continues to work on the catalog.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 am. The next meeting is March 7, 2022 at 8:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Wright