

Call to Order

Vice-President Patt Hopkins called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. at the Atlanta Branch of the Montmorency County Public Library.

Board Members Present (in alphabetical order): Mary Burek, Patt Hopkins, Ellen Klein, Robin Smiley and Pat West

Board Members Absent (in alphabetical order): none

County Commissioner: Don Edwards

Staff Members Present: Lori Haas —Director,

Others present: none

**Approval of Agenda**

**Pat West made the motion to approve the agenda as written, Robin Smiley seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

**Approval of Bills**

Treasurer Mary Burek questioned Zane Health. The Director explained Zane Health is the company who administers the HSA . They charge a monthly fee.

**Patt Hopkins made the motion to accept the bills as presented, Mary Burek seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

**Minutes to Meeting**

**Mary Burek made the motion to accept the February 26, 2019 minutes as written, Pat West seconded. 3 yeas and one abstain, Ellen Klein abstained, motion carried.**

**Public Comment**

none

**Old Business**

The policy manual review was tabled until next month. The Director did get information from the County on how they handle jury duty for County employees. So that will need to be added to the policy manual.

We were informed there will not be an election in 2019, if we wanted to run our millage then it would cost around \$8,000-10,000. The Director asked our attorney to address this and she sent a wonderful letter detailing everything, her advice for this year and the dates necessary for next year.

**Pat West made the motion to ballot the millage in the August 2020 election rather than August 2019. Mary Burek seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

The mortgage was paid off on the Hillman building this month.

**Election of Officers**

**Robin Smiley made the motion to open the floor to nominations for officers. Mary Burek seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

**Mary Burek nominated Patt Hopkins for President. Pat West seconded. Patt accepted.**

**Mary Burek nominated Pat West as Vice-President. Patt Hopkins seconded. Patt accepted.**

**Mary Burek nominated Robin Smiley as secretary. Patt Hopkins seconded. Robin accepted.**

**Robin Smiley nominated Mary Burek as treasurer. Patt Hopkins seconded. Mary accepted. Patt Hopkins made the motion to elect the officers as nominated. Pat West seconded. All in favor, motion carried**

### **New Business**

none

### **Directors Report**

Andrea is retiring as Headquarters Librarian at the end of the month, this is Sheila's first week as Headquarters Librarian, working with Andrea, she is making a list of all the things Andrea does... and oh my goodness who knew all the things Andrea does!!! Wendy Burden, the children's librarian, is on vacation right now, when she returns, the schedules will change the first week in May, Andrea will stay on as part time. The Board would like to see a luncheon at the Atlanta Library for Andrea as a thank you for her 30 years of service. There is a Librarians meeting scheduled for April 16 to work out scheduling issues with all the changes within the group. Our auditor, Dan Smith, is scheduled for May 9, 2019.

Voices and Visions will be May 9, 2019 at the Eagles Hall on M32 from 6-7:30pm. We will begin set up at 2pm. The judges this year are Ursula Owens and Andy Bower. We have applied for the Brush Creek Mill grant, \$500, for each branch, and we were granted \$1500.

The Librarians reports:

Tina from Hillman reports: It is starting to feel and look like spring everyday. AARP has completed tax prep for the community members. With our assistance they prepare taxes for approximately 225 people this year. Our meeting room and community room have been very busy this month. We also have been proctoring many exams. The children that attended art palooza loved the event. The spring staycation activity was also a hit. We did a patron count in February and averaged 53 patrons a day. Our circulation for the month was DVDs-330 and books-656. With the nicer weather we also have that mildew smell again. Again this year Bill Grove went under the building to check for the source and stated that it is powder dry under there.(Good news) Bad news is that we cannot find where it is coming from. We had the same problem for the last several springs and eventually it goes away. Bill will be checking duct work this week and also replacing the sump pump under the building. (He noticed it was having a delay in starting so it is better to replace now than after we have a water issue). Our large Library sign that is at the driveway is in very poor condition on the west side, I am not sure what the plans for it are.

Have a great day!

Andrea from Atlanta reports: 28 patrons filled out entry slips for "A Universe of Stories", the winter reading program for adults. There were enough prizes this year so everyone received their choice of a homemade book bag or t-shirt. The bags were made by a patron with material donated by Lori. Wendy brought in apple and cherry pie for Pi day for patrons. A local artist Amy Marlatt, brought in some of the items she has painted to show the reading buddies group. She has also illustrated children's books written by her Mom, Diane, which we have on our shelves. The kids are each working on a painting done on cardboard, which Amy had shown them, for Voices and Visions. We only had 5 children (K-5) stop in the Library for the March is

Reading Month to pick up a ticket for a chance to win a prize at the school. They could get a ticket each week.

Wendy from Lewiston reports: Winter is starting to leave us as our snowbirds are slowly coming in. We are all geared up for spring. One of our JLHS students who moved from Atlanta to Lewiston needed 10 NHS hours over spring break. Emily came in and decorated the Library and Children's section. She also organized the books so Brooke could come in and put on the alpha stickers for easy shelving. Our spring break project was very well attended. I only had 6 pots left. The kids really enjoyed this craft. Some of the adults wanted to decorate a pot as well. LOL. The parents also wanted to thank you for the seeds they got take home. Card class is still well attended with a waiting list every month. They make nice cards. I have been catching up with the cataloging of new and donated books. Reading buddies is going well with miss Wendy, this is the biggest group she has had yet. Toddler story hour is doing well also, she has the same two girls and they love the one on one with Wendy. Have a great day.

#### **Next Meeting Scheduled**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 14, 2019 at Atlanta Branch, 1:00 p.m.

#### **Adjournment**

**Mary Burek made motion to adjourn, at 1:45pm. Robin Smiley seconded. All in favor, motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Robin Smiley

accepted May 14, 2019