Neosho Newton County Library Board Meeting

May 17, 2022

**Board Members Present:** Jann Burnett, Keri Collinsworth, Beth Styron, Chris Yaudas, Tamie Williams, Phyllis Blackwood, Rick Keeling, Jake Heisten, Karina Cole

**Board Members Absent:** none

**Library Staff Present:** Carrie Cline, Pam Mendenhall, Terri Moser

President Beth Styron called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

**Correspondence/Public Comment:** FCS Financial was here to present the library with a $500 check for the Summer Reading Program. Thank you FCS!

**Consent Agenda: Minutes, Budgeted Expenses, Financial Report**

Phyllis moved to accept the consent agenda, with the revision to last month’s minutes that Phyllis’ last name be corrected to Blackwood. Jann seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Director’s Report:**

* Statistics were reviewed.
* The library lockers have been placed, and will soon be ready to use. The book drops are not designed well, and were returned. The new ones will be here in approximately 1 month.
* A STEM grant was obtained for $8,000 to purchase STEM kits.
* Summer Reading Program: Last week the Jefferson Street Campus students came to the library for a SRP kickoff party. A great time was had by all. School visits are being made to promote the SRP, and the library was present at the first farmer’s market. We have received numerous generous donations by area businesses and individuals.
* Our policy handbook needs updated as well as placed online for ease of access and use.

**Old Business**

1. Tax Levy Update

Carrie has not been able to get through to Nicole Galloway’s office. After discussion we agreed Carrie should instead contact the Attorney General’s office to inquire about the audit process.

1. Building Project Update in Seneca

Jessica Struckhoff with Paragon Architecture was here to discuss the process for building a new Seneca facility. A motion to request a fee proposal from their firm was made by Rick and seconded by Chris. All voted in favor.

**New Business**

The motion to adjourn was made by Phyllis and seconded by Rick. The vote was unanimous to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Collinsworth, Secretary