

**Ashe County Public Library Advisory Board
Community Room
May 8, 2023**

Attending: Dr. Doug Butler, Lisa Calhoun, Kyle Hall, Steve Katz, Jan Noffsinger, Karen Moll, Tammy Holston, Laura McPherson

Absent: Kim Barnes (excused), JoAnn Crawley (excused)

Call to order: Chair Dr. Doug Butler called the meeting to order via Zoom at 12:05 p.m.

Additions, deletions, and approval of agenda: Karen Moll made a motion to approve the agenda as stated and Kyle Hall seconded; motion passed unanimously.

Approval of previous meeting's minutes: The March 8th minutes had not been received by some of the board members. Karen will resend them prior to the July meeting and will voted on at that time.

Correspondence and communications: None.

Reports of standing committees:

Endowment: Work continues on the "Bucks for Books" campaign. Karen will meet with Susan to set up the account at LifeStore. Laura has agreed to set up the Gmail account for the campaign and assist with setting up a PayPal account.

Building enhancement: Plans are to meet with NC Representative Ray Pickett Wednesday, May 10, 11:30 a.m., at the library and discuss the community room repairs. Laura has submitted a request for a directed grant from the NC Legislature as well as beginning the process to submit a Cannon Foundation grant. Tammy stated that State Aid has passed the NC House budget. The Senate now needs to pass on the budget as well.

Unfinished business:

Report of the Search Committee: There have been two additional applicants for the ARL director's position. Board members will meet with the candidates during the early part of the next regional meeting via Zoom. Discussion will follow.

New Business:

FY2022-23 Budget Amendments: See attached

FY 2023-24 Preliminary Budget: See attached

Appointment of a committee to nominate officers (to take office at the conclusion of the July meeting): Jan, Lisa, Karen. Recommended appointments to the local board (to take office at the conclusion of the July meeting): Jack Douglas Faulkner and James Bumgarner. Dawn Johnson will be asked to serve on the endowment committee and, if she is willing, will be considered for an appointment to the board next year. Kyle motioned to accept Mr. Faulkner and Mr. Bumgarner as new members to the ACPL advisory board pending approval by the county commissioners. Laura will send a letter about these potential advisory board members to Adam Stumb, Ashe County Manager, in July. Board orientations will be scheduled for Mr. Bumgarner and Mr. Faulkner prior to the September local board meeting.

This board has received a request from the Ashe County Board of Commissioners for attendance records of local and regional board members. Karen will gather that information.

Next Regional Board meeting: May 18, 2023, at 1 p.m. in Watauga

Next local Board meeting: July 10, 2023 at noon

Other Reports:

Report of the Friends of the Library President: See attached

Report of the Regional Director: See report

Report of the County Librarian: See report

Adjournment: 1:15 p.m. on a motion from Karen, seconded by Kim; motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Moll,
Secretary