

MATTOON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES: July 11, 2022@ 5:15 PM, Kinzel Room, Mattoon Public Library

Board Members Present: Teresa Righter, Candy Rankin, Phyllis Karpus, Clay Dean, Laura Huddleston, Greg Ray, Harold Pettigrew, Laura Glenn

Board member Absent: Chris Pilson

Staff Present: Carl Walworth, Beth Pugh

Other Present: Laurie Dotson

Board Member Oath: President Righter led the board members in taking the oath of office.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Ray, second by Dean to approve consent agenda, which consists of bills, treasurer's report, circulation report, minutes of June 2022 meeting. Motion carried.

Introduction: Laurie Dotson was introduced as a volunteer who is leading bi-weekly story time. She recently retired from a teaching position at Mattoon High School.

Program Report: Deputy Director Pugh reported on the children's art contest led by staff member Cathy Lee. There were 10 entries. Pugh also reported on progress in the Summer Read program and provided dates of several upcoming events. The second local history bike ride had more than 30 riders.

Director's Report: Director Walworth reported on the library receiving notification of the per capita grant and an award from the Howell Adams Family Foundation. Circulation numbers are the best since COVID. Focus on issuing more library cards to youth and families is going well, with 64 cards issued in June. A trip is planned to Decatur to observe the Youth With a Positive Direction program.

Other business: The board discussed dates and times of regular board meetings.

Adjournment: Motion by Dean, second by Rankin to adjourn at 6:13 p.m. Motion carried.

Next meeting is August 8.

