

August 18, 2009 Library Board Meeting

THE FAYETTE COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD met August 18, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the conference room of the Fayette County Public Library, 1821 Heritage Park Way, Fayetteville, Georgia.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Marie Washburn, Chairman
Dortha Stinson, Vice Chairman
Jeanette Ballard
Jean White
Ellen Steinbach

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lisa Richardson
Robert Butler

STAFF PRESENT: Christeen Snell, Library Director
Sharon Campbell, Secretary and Library Assistant

GUESTS: Arlys Ferrell, President of the Friends of the Fayette
County Public Library

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Marie Washburn called the meeting to order at 4:05p.m. and confirmed that a quorum was present. Chairman Marie Washburn asked if there were any changes or additions to the August 18, 2009 agenda or the minutes of the June 16, 2009 meeting. Dortha Stinson made the motion to approve the minutes of June 16, 2009 and was seconded by Jean White. The motion **PASSED** 4 -0.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

See attached agenda.

Adult, Teen and Children's Summer Reading Programs were a great success. We had a good turnout throughout the summer for the teen programs. The number of participants was up from last year.

Fayette on the Page has had a good turnout. We have had 182 patrons checkout the book "A Lesson before Dying". This months' discussion group will be discussing this book. The date for turning in art work for the Competition has been extended to August 31st. The finale is September 10th with a live feed presentation with Mr. Gaines.

The Educational Learning Lab had 900 students attend during July. Eugenia believes that the lab will hit 10,000 students by the end of the year. We have added Japanese and German II to our Rosetta Stone lessons.

Chris was informed on July 29th by Mr. Murphy that effective August 1st that STAT will no longer be delivering to Fayette County Public Library. The county is working to get us service with a company out of Tyrone – ASAP couriers. We have also lost our one day service that we were paying for with STAT as their contract is with the Headquarters Library. Mr. Murphy had stated also that all items would go to the STAT warehouse not to Griffin Library.

Griffin Library has reorganized book ordering procedures. We will be ordering in-house now and Chris will be receiving the invoices directly and paying them directly. Griffin will no longer catalog our gift books. Griffin will only be placing orders for us with STATE money and catalog original items.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Dortha made a request on behalf of the Fayette County Library Board to Mr. Murphy for a written breakdown on the services Flint River Regional Library gives us. He refused to give the Library Board any information. Dortha also stated that he has not given the County Commissioners any information. Marie stated that she spoke with Mr. Murphy on August 17th and he told her he had sent this information to Sergio in the Finance Dept. Marie stated that she does not feel that the library is in the same category as *Promise Place* and that the 4% should not have been cut from Library Services in the budget.

Dortha made the motion to send Mr. Murphy a letter expressing the Library Board's concern regarding the ongoing discussion between Fayette County Board of Commissioners and the Flint River Regional Library Board that it is negatively affecting the quality of services Fayette County Public Library is offering to the patrons throughout the state. A copy will be sent to Mr. Krakeel and Chairman Jack Smith of the Board of Commissioners. Jean White seconded the motion and it **PASSED** 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Marie will send a letter to Bobby Butler and Lisa Richardson advising them of the Library Boards' concerns about their absences and there will be a discussion at the next meeting. She asked that it be added to the agenda for September under New Business.

Marie also asked that discussion of Bylaws be moved to the September agenda under New Business.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Marie Washburn asked if there was a motion to adjourn. Jeanette Ballard made the motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Jean White. The motion **PASSED** 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Sharon Campbell
Secretary