

Johnson County Public Library  
Zoom Meeting Minutes  
January 14, 2021

Present:

Heather Patton, Alvin Mason ,Debbie Park, Thomas Pennington, Amy Wallace, Misty Hawkins

Call To Order:

Thomas Pennington called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Minutes from the previous meeting were read. Heather Patton made a motion to accept the minutes as read and Thomas Pennington seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Alvin Mason gave the Treasurers report with a balance of \$14,541.04 in the Checking Account, \$563,642.60 in County Revenue, \$884,235.56 in Investment Savings, \$9,743.21 in the 501c3 Account and \$1,452.00 in the Endowment Account. Debbie Park made a motion to accept the Treasure's Report, Heather Patton seconded. The motion passed.

Library Report:

Amy Wallace reported to the board that the curbside service continues and seems to working very well. Appointments times are working and patrons are using the computers as usual, as well as to apply for stimulus checks and job opportunities. The library has been able to install new access points and this has made WIFI service much easier for patrons when using the service from the parking lot area. The library staff is still having story time via Zoom but they have moved this service to Friday so that virtual students will be able to enjoy this service. Ms. Wallace reported that the staff is working on keeping children engaged with the library activities, including making several holiday calendars, countdown calendars and supplying hand quilted bookmarks that a patron made for incentives.

The board went into Executive Session at 5:43 p.m. to discuss a personnel issue. The board return to regular session at 6:02 p.m. and approved the personnel issue as presented.

Regional Report:

Misty Hawkins gave the regional update and informed the board that the region had updated , amended and approved policies for social media pages and YOUTUBE channels for region libraries so that guidelines are in place.

Ms Hawkins informed the board that The regional library has purchased Hot Spots for county libraries, with Johnson County receiving 4. The Hot Spots will be available for patrons to check out for 7 days. These will help virtual students who do not have internet access at their home, other patrons to submit job applications for search for job opportunities. The devices have bar codes and cases to protect them. The possibility for Johnson County Library to purchase additional devices was discussed.

Ms Hawkins also informed the board that the region has gone fine free starting in 2021. Lost or damaged books will still be charged but late fees have been eliminated. To help compensate for fine free the region and county libraries will encourage donations. The monies collected will be deposited into the 501c3 account and patrons will be given a receipt and a tax letter to use for tax purposes.

Old Business:  
No Report

New Business:  
Amy Wallace informed the board that the Johnson County Library is eligible for Grant Proposal. The board discussed the possibility of using this money, if received towards The Book Mobil Outreach. Ms Wallace stated that our library is one small library serving a whole county and that The Book Mobil Outreach would be able to reach more patrons in the county. The board discussed the possibility of having a Hot Spot in the Book Mobile when/if we get this project up and running.

Adjournment:  
Debbie Park made a motion to adjourn. Alvin Mason seconded. Motion passed.  
Thomas Pennington adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debbie Park, Secretary



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President

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