Humboldt Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes July 6, 2021

In Attendance: Elna Blankenship, Myra Barnett, Leon McNeal, Tony Carter, Emily Lovings, Don Famer, Mary Carpenter, & John Blankenship.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Elna Blankenship. Elna welcomed guest, Ms. Christine Warrington.

The minutes from the May 5, 2021 meeting read. A motion to approve was made by Don Farmer and a second by Emily Lovings. The motion carried with all in favor.

In old business, Director John Blankenship informed the board that new chairs have been ordered for the lobby. The chairs were from Peoples Furniture Company and will be paid for by the Friends of the Library.

In new business, John provided a Summer Reading update. The library held to very successful programs called Animalogy and Eric Magic Show. Both of these programs were very well received. The new Children's Librarian was hired. Her name is Ashley Niven. Ashley introduced herself to the board. Discussion of the library by-laws was held with sample by-laws being presented to the board. Changes were made and a final copy to be voted on will be presented at the September 7th meeting. A motion to send this to the September meeting was made by Emily Lovings and a second was made by Tony Carter. The motion carried. Next, two library policies were presented to the board. A motion was made to approve the updated Unattended Children Policy and a headphone policy by Don Farmer and a second was made by Emily Lovings. The motion carried. Finally, John gave an update about an End of Summer Fun Day to be held on July 24th.

A financial report was given by Director John Blankenship.

The Library Director's report was given by John Blankenship. It is attached to the minutes.

Reports were given by the Humboldt Public Library Foundation and the Friends of the Library. The Foundation is actively promoting the Brick by Brick Fundraiser. The Friends will have their next meeting in September. They are providing financial support for the Summer Reading program.

Mary Carpenter provided a report from the Obion River Regional Library. It is attached to the minutes.

A motion was made by Don Farmer to close the library on Friday, July 23rd for a prep day for the End of Summer Fun Day. A second was made by Tony Carter. The motion carried.

A motion to Adjourn was made by Tony Carter and a second was made by Emily Lovings. The motion to adjourn carried.