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## **Fayette County Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting – April 8, 2025 Minutes**

The Fayette County Public Library Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, April, 8, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room with Kim Giesting, President of the Board, presiding. Others present were Board members Dale Strong, Lynette Eklund, Colin Judd, Vane Lashua, and Jennifer Cooley. Also present were Betsy Slavens, Director; Melissa Scott, Assistant Director; and Christy Collier, Administrative Assistant. Judith Echano Medina was absent.

1. Public Participation: None.
2. Motion by Jennifer, seconded by Dale, to approve the March 11, 2025, board minutes. Unanimously approved.
3. Written Director's report was included in the Board packet.
  - a. We have paused looking for a children's programmer. We currently are seeking a new bookmobile clerk as the current one will be moving into the main library.
  - b. Teen Hangout has increased in participation. Each session teens have the opportunity to choose between activities, including board games, video games, D&D, and crafting.
4. Assistant Director's report was included in the Board packet.
  - a. Lynette asked about upcoming Community Events this year. The library has several that we have committed to, with more to follow when appropriate.
    - i. *Bunnies and Brownies* on April 10, 2025.
    - ii. *Celebration in the Ville* on May 16 & 17, 2025, is to be determined
    - iii. *Mini Fan Con* at the library on May 24, 2025.
    - iv. *Community Youth Day* on July 10, 2025.
    - v. *Winterfest* in December.
5. Outreach
  - a. Visits to Frazee started in April.
6. Financial Report was included in the Board packet.
  - a. The first of Certificate of Deposits matures on April 14, 2025. Christy will check on the rate and renew the CD.
7. Motion by Lynette, seconded by Colin, to accept the Director's report, Assistant Director's report, Outreach report, Financial report, and pay the bills. Unanimously approved.
8. Committee Reports:
  - a. Staff: No meeting.
  - b. Building and Grounds: No meeting.
  - c. Policy: No meeting.
  - d. Long Range Planning: No meeting.
  - e. Scholarship: The scholarship committee met to choose the recipient of the scholarship. Eighteen students applied, with three finalists meeting all criteria. Scholarship recipient will be announced at Scholarship Night.
9. Old Business:
  - a. Drop Box has been installed
    - i. The drop box has been installed and is being used.
10. New Business:

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- a. Packets for Director Evaluation
  - i. Betsy distributed director evaluation packets to board members. Board members are to return completed packets to the Staff Committee at the May meeting.
- b. Request to close library for an In-Service Day 5/19/2025
  - i. Motion by Jennifer, seconded by Lynette, to close the library on May 19, 2025, for staff in-service training. Unanimously approved.
- c. Assorted Quotes
  - i. Two quotes were presented for sealcoating and painting the parking lot. Motion by Jennifer, seconded by Dale, to approve Yaryan Seal-Coat Company LLC for \$4,450.00. Unanimously approved.
- d. Videoconferencing Equipment
  - i. Dale inquired about the installation of video equipment in the meeting room. Jim and Melissa are working on the project.
- e. Senate Bill 1
  - i. Senate Bill 1 is still in the process of making it through the State House. If passed, the library will have a loss of revenue.
  - ii. The library may also be impacted by the stoppage of Library Service and Technology Grant Act grants. Although the library does not directly receive grant monies, we do receive access to services through the State Library and consortiums.

Motion by Jennifer, seconded by Lynette, to adjourn at 5:24 pm. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Scott