

**PEABODY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
March 8, 2023**

The Library Board of Trustees met at 6:00 p.m. with the following in attendance: Greg Hockemeyer, Nicki Baker, Lori Shipman, Chris Bechtold, Spencer Mize, Mark Parker and Director Michel Ashby.

Also present: Katy Southern, Adult Services Librarian

CALL TO ORDER

The regular business meeting was called to order by President Greg Hockemeyer.

MINUTES

Minutes of the regular February Board meeting were approved.

A motion to approve was made by Lori Shipman. Seconded by Chris Bechtold. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND DIRECTOR

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mike would like to donate our used computer equipment to Easterseals Passages and Faith Christian Academy.

A motion to approve donating the surplus equipment to Easterseals Passages and Faith Christian was made by Chris Bechtold. Seconded by Mark Parker. Motion carried.

Mike shared that he was able to secure health insurance coverage for the 90-day waiting period which PHP would not waive.

A policy change was proposed for the student card fee of \$5.00 be waived for public and private school students and for teachers of public schools to also be allowed to obtain a library card with no fees.

A motion to approve the proposed student and teacher card policy changes was made by Nicki Baker. Seconded by Spencer Mize. Motion carried.

A policy change in fax fees was proposed to reduce fax fees to \$.10 per page with no charge for incoming faxes.

A motion to approve the proposed fax fee policy was made by Chris Bechtold. Seconded by Spencer Mize. Motion carried.

Maddy Grable has replaced Darla Lepley as the Circulation Supervisor. The library is currently in the process of hiring and interviewing for 2 positions, a Technical Services assistant and a Youth Services assistant.

Fine free at the library is now officially in effect.

Mike, Lori and Spencer recently did a walk through with Zach from MKM.

The pictures of the previous library Directors have been moved to the upper level of the library and can be found on the wall above the fish tank.

The library recently received a donation in memory of Barbara Kessie.

PRESENTATION

Adult Service librarian Katy Southern gave an overview of various adult department programs and happenings. She also gave an overview of the new Seed Library that is in the works.

CLAIMS

A motion to approve the March claims was made by Chris Bechtold. Seconded by Mark Parker. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Lori Shipman. Seconded by Nicki Baker. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Parker, Secretary Pro-Tem