

**OLDHAM COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES**

6:30 pm, February 11, 2016  
Main Library, 308 Yager Avenue, LaGrange, KY 40031

**Call to Order**

The February, 2016, meeting of the Oldham County Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:30 pm, February 11, 2016, by President Sallie Haynes at the Main Library of the Oldham County Public Library system. Trustees present were Virginia Brown, David Hutchinson, and Jennifer Proud. Also present was Library Director Susan Eubank. Assistant Library Director Mary Mielczarek acted as recorder.

**Invitation for Public Comment:**

No unscheduled public comment was made.

**Consent Agenda**

1. A motion to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2016, meeting, pending additions, was made by David Hutchinson and seconded by Sallie Haynes. The minutes of the January 14, 2016 meeting were approved pending the changes.
2. A motion to approve the Financial Reports & Payment Voucher for January, 2016, was made by Jennifer Proud and seconded by Virginia Brown. The Financial Reports & Payment Voucher was approved.

**Old Business**

A motion to retain Oldham County attorney Michelle Turner for purposes of reviewing the Library's wage and employment policies was made by David Hutchinson and seconded by Jennifer Proud. The motion passed.

Chris Bowling's Financial Report was postponed until the March meeting, March 10, 2016.

A review of Library Succession Policy was discussed. Further clarification will be available at the March meeting.

**New Business**

1. Jim Urban, Oldham County Planning and Development Official spoke on a possible land acquisition for a new North Oldham Library. No action was taken.

**Director's Report**

1. The Director re-iterated that the April Board meeting has been moved ahead one week to April 21<sup>st</sup> in order to accommodate the upcoming KPLA conference.
2. The Director thanked trustees David Hutchinson and Jennifer Proud for attending Legislative Day in Frankfort with her. Bethany Morse also attended and had made an exceptional promotional handout for our Kentucky legislators.
3. Director Eubank also reported that the Governor's proposed budget will further cut Library funding by 9% in the next two fiscal years with a 4% cut for the rest of this fiscal year. She said that she anticipates that KDLA's "ask" for construction funding will not be in the new budget. Our advocates are keeping a close eye on SB71. <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/16RS/SB71/bill.pdf> a bill that would mandate a Library that proposes a tax rate above the compensating rate would have to have approval from the government body to which it is subject; in most of our cases this would be the County Fiscal Court. This bill would make it very difficult for Library districts to ever take more than the compensating rate. It could also be seen as a step toward more control over our boards in the future.

3. Terry Manuel has been appointed as Interim State Librarian. Terry is a former head of Library Services at KDLA.
4. KDLA has been awarded a 3-year intensive grant project described by the Institute for Museum and Library Services as an “innovative and holistic approach to early childhood literacy and services in public libraries”. These educational opportunities will be available for Kentucky public Library staff to increase their knowledge and skills to be effective community partners in school readiness.

**Report from KDLA:**

The Director handed out the February KDLA Report from Chris Bischoff, the Region IV Librarian. It included a Trustee Tip concerning the disposal of Library surplus property.

**Communications**

The Library received a card from Good News Homes thanking us for hosting the KCount in January. The Library received an email from a patron saying how much their family enjoys the Maker Monday programs.

**Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by David Hutchinson and seconded by Jennifer Proud. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

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President

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Secretary

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Date Approved