MEETING: Elizabethton/Carter County Library Board Meeting

DATE: July 15, 2021 @ 3:30pm

LOCATION: Elizabethton/Carter County Library

IN ATTENDENCE: Director Bernadette Weese, Susan Dugger, Nicole Moore, Dustin Hensley, Martha Whaley, Jillian Reece, Susan Hathaway, Bernie Weese, Kristi DeMoss, Sarah Egan

Jilian Reece called the meeting to order at 3:37pm. Dustin Hensley made the motion to approve minutes from May meeting. Susan Dugger seconded the motion. All members voted to approve and accept the minutes. After a brief discussion, motion was made by Jillian Reece to delay approving policy changes until mission/value statements are approved. Susan Hathaway seconded the motion. All members voted to approve.

Director Weese gave Director’s report. The option to waive fines for overdue library material was discussed. Jillian Reece made the motion to have Director Weese discuss with city officials and provide evidence of studies that show reducing or waiving late fees actually encourages higher return rate of materials. Martha Whaley seconded the motion. All members voted to approve the review.

Jillian Reece made the motion that outside groups could resume meetings as of August 2, 2021. Maximum 35 attendees. Dustin Hensley seconded the motion. Susan Dugger made the motion to allow staff members to resume attending community functions to represent the library. Nicole Moore seconded the motion. Both motions were approved by unanimous vote.

Susan Dugger made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:13pm. Nicole Moore seconded the motion. Motion was approved unanimously. The next library meeting will September 9, 2021 @ 3:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kristi DeMoss, Secretary

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Jilian Reece, Chairman Bernie Weese, Director