Staunton Public Library

ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

August 15, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chair Christy Davis. Also in attendance were board members Dan Swift, Josh Howard and Mark Peterson, and Sarah Skrobis, Library Director.

The minutes of the previous meeting July 18, 2019 meeting were reviewed and were accepted.

Talking Book Center report:

Dan noted that the July TBC meeting was the first in the new fiscal year and concentrated on elections, new and retiring members and assorted first-of-year activities. August will concentrate on re-forming committee and duties of the board. Amy Kiger, Executive Director of the Educational Foundation at Blue Ridge Community College will address the board with fund-raising ideas.

Friends of the Library: Sarah reported that there was no Friends meeting the past month but noted that on September 9 the Friends would sponsor Bingo at Bedlam Brewing as a fund-raiser. The Friends are still open for book donations for the fall book sale.

Director's Report: Sarah had distributed the July circulation and activity reports in advance of this meeting.

She noted that staff turnover and training continue to disrupt some activities but has high hopes for new librarian Rebecca Valesquez who will a part-time shift supervisor in the evenings and the weekend and Kara Kiblinger who fills an open part-time circulation position. She noted that she expects a Tech Services open position to be filled internally from circulation.

She also noted that the entire staff, along with staff from Waynesboro and Augusta County, held a Staff Development Day visiting other public and college/university libraries in Staunton and Harrisonburg.

Sarah noted that she will be out of town for the September Advisory Board meeting but will have Kayla Payne, Tech Services Librarian attend in her place.

She next led a discussion on several policies that were up for revision and had been discussed at the previous board meeting. After discussion of a couple minor changes, the new policies were adopted as follows:

Borrowing Policy: New policy moved by Josh, seconded by Mark and approved unanimously.

Safe Child Policy: Policy moved by Dan, seconded by Josh and approved unanimously.

Acceptable Use Policy: Policy moved by Josh, seconded by Mark and approved unanimously.

Next meeting will be September 19, 2019 at 4:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Swift
Secretary