

**Jefferson County Library System  
Wadley Library, Wadley, GA  
July 17, 2017, 5:30pm**

**Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm. New board members Annie Englett, Rebecca Gibbons, Jim Harrison, and Josephine Johnson were introduced.

Members present: Annie Englett, Sharon Fleming, Rebecca Gibbons, Jim Harrison, Josephine Johnson, Deborah Wilkerson, Jan Wren

Members absent: Damita Bynes, Johnny Davis, Billy Jordan

Jan Wren moved to approve the minutes of the May meeting, and Rebecca Gibbons seconded. The minutes were approved as posted.

**Financial**

The 2018 budget was reviewed.

After Ms. Taylor reviewed the duties and responsibilities of the board chairperson, Jan Wren nominated Deborah Wilkerson to fill the position. Jim Harrison seconded the nomination, and Mrs. Wilkerson was elected. The election of the vice-chairperson was postponed to the next meeting.

**Old Business**

-Ms. Taylor announced that new carpet for the Louisville branch is being purchased from the Augusta Carpet Mart. The county will provide the manpower for old carpet removal as well as painting. The work is estimated to require three or four days. Mrs. Englett made a motion to delay the decision concerning the closing of the library during the updates until the next board meeting in September. Mr. Harrison seconded, and the motion passed.

-Ms. Taylor reported that the city of Louisville has agreed to provide custodial attention to the Louisville branch and that the city will also start paying for the Louisville branch's garbage, water, and sewage.

**New Business**

-Ms. Taylor informed the board that total attendance for the summer reading program was 474. She also requested that the board approve a policy regarding animals in the libraries.

-Mr. Harrison made and Ms. Johnson seconded a motion that only trained service dogs be allowed in the libraries and that certificates of training will be required as proof. The motion passed.

-Ms. Taylor showed the board some signs that indicating the location of the county libraries. She would like to see these posted in each community.

-The matter of water in the Louisville library was brought up and discussed. Ms. Taylor is going to write letters to the city and county officials requesting that something be done to improve the quality of the water.

Mrs. Wren moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Harrison seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 pm.

The next meeting will be held at the Louisville Library September 18, 2017 at 5:00 pm.