

**CLYDE W. RODDY PUBLIC LIBRARY
FEBRUARY 3, 2022 BOARD MEETING**

The Clyde W. Roddy Library Board met Thursday, February 3, at the library with Chairman Tom Davis calling the meeting to order. Other members present included Faith Young, Brenda McPheeters, Bruce Morgan, and Jo Anne Cowden. Brittany West, library director, also attended as did Ocoee River regional library director Liz Schreck, via Zoom.

OLD BUSINESS: Due to inclement weather and a Covid upsurge, no January meeting was held. The minutes from the December 2021 meeting were read, with Faith moving to approve, Bruce seconding and all voting to approve.

NEW BUSINESS: The Board was saddened to hear of the passing of Nikki Branam-Snyder's mother. Brittany said she had sent a wreath from the board and staff.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Brittany noted that all programs were canceled in January due to a surge in Covid cases, with programs to resume February 9. She distributed December circulation numbers as well as January 2022 information. In January 2,634 patrons visited the library; 1,689 digital items were borrowed, 263 wireless sessions were held and 67 patrons were helped with reference and technology questions. Training tracker hours showed Brittany with 26 hours, and she will begin Friday to train with the City of Dayton to learn the new bookkeeping system. She noted the first ever after-school program is scheduled for February 16; the Munch-a-Lunch is February 10; and the Young Adult room now has a "Card makers' Space" where Valentines can be made that will be delivered to senior citizens. Financial reports for the month of December were distributed.

Brittany announced that Tennessee's Secretary of State, Tre Hargett, will be at the library Friday, February 11, to present the ARPA grant check. She noted that one of the purchases from the grant had already arrived—the 85 inch television; and the new monitors and computers will be arriving soon.

Brittany has purchased the first batch of e-books and has purchased two new large print subscriptions. She said one TWRA test had been given in January.

OCOEE REGION REPORT: Liz provided information on upcoming training opportunities including February 11, Tennessee Land and Pioneers, a part of a lunchtime speaker lecture series; February 16, TSLA webinar; February 24, regional library inservice on Library Marketing 101; February 28, In-service on a new director roundtable; March 8, roundtable with the Alzheimer's Association of Tn; March 24, Burnout, Stress, Anxiety: Pandemic. Liz said library boards should begin reviewing lists for new board members as vacancies follow the fiscal year cycle. She also noted the Tennessee Advisory Council for Libraries is looking for new members. In January, Liz noted libraries could use their state allocation funds from the regional office to purchase digital materials through OverDrive and would be considered part of the local library collection with their users first on hold lists.

Bruce moved the meeting be adjourned with Tom seconding. Next meeting is March 3.

Respectfully submitted,
Jo Anne Cowden, Secretary