

**Belleville Area District Library
Meeting Minutes
July 11, 2023**

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Sharon Peters called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm.
2. **Roll Call:** The following board members were present: Joy Cichewicz, Dan Fleming, Alma Hughes-Grubbs, John Juriga, Sharon Peters, and Tanya Stoudemire. Absent and excused: Linda Priest. Also present: Library Director Mary Jo Suchy.
3. **Approve Agenda:**
Motion by Stoudemire, seconded by Juriga, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **Approve June 13, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Juriga, seconded by Stoudemire, to approve the June 13, 2023, minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **Public Comments:** Julie Kissel shared news of the Belleville Fire Department's Blood Drive on July 28.
6. **Committee Reports**
 - A. **Building:** The architect has given possible options to O'Neal Construction (OCI) for enhancing the terrace railings. OCI met with the library and the City of Belleville regarding the Roys Street sidewalk. One of the library's flagpole lights must be replaced.
 - B. **Bylaws:** No report.
 - C. **Finance:** No report.
 - D. **Marketing:** No report.
 - E. **Personnel:** No report.
 - F. **Policy:** No report.
 - G. **Art:** The art from Doug Peters has been hung in the quiet study room.
7. **Approve Accounts Payable:** Motion by Cichewicz, seconded by Stoudemire, to approve the accounts payable as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
8. **Director's Report:** See attached.
9. **Trustee Comments:**

Juriga – Someone suggested getting chalk so that kids could draw on the sidewalks and in the street during Music Lakeside. He thought it would also be great to have chalk for kids to draw on the library bollards during the Farmers' Market on Monday evenings.

Stoudemire – Congratulated the library's new hires. Will be out of town for the next meeting.

Cichewicz – Glad to see the numbers going up at the Sumpter Media Center. Will also be out of town for the next meeting.

Fleming – Had a really nice experience in the library a few days ago witnessing patrons appreciating the library. Will also be out of town for the next meeting.

Hughes-Grubbs – Is proud of our library. Thanked everyone for making it a reality in our lifetime.

10. Chair Comments:

Peters – She thanked the community for their support and the staff for phenomenal activities and programming.

11. Adjournment:

Motion by Juriga to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.