

OZARK DALE COUNTY LIBRARY, INC.
Special Called Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Board Meeting held on June 2, 2021

Members Present: Marie Black
Liz Delaney
Christina Faulkner

Members Absent: Dr. Imogene Mixson
Mike Cairns

Also Present: Karen Speck, Director
Joni Wood, Administrative Assistant

Marie Black called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Naming Rights: Everyone reviewed a summary of a meeting between Mark Blankenship, Jackie Murphy, and Dr. Burton Crenshaw, President of the Southeast Alabama Community Foundation in reference to grants. In short, although we missed grant deadlines, Dr. Crenshaw came forward with an interested private donor for our project. This unknown donor would be interested in donating for either the construction or outfitting of the genealogy room or for the naming rights of the room. As a result of this meeting, Mark consulted with Karen and Marie and came up with a \$50,000 minimum one-time donation requirement to have naming rights, pending Board approval.

A discussion ensued regarding the matter of donating to the Library and obtaining naming rights for rooms. Karen commented that Jackie suggested only the three biggest rooms to have naming rights – the genealogy room, the children’s room, and the meeting room. All agreed. Christina commented that our primary focus now should be those three rooms; however, the option is there in the future if someone wants to donate for a plaque in the book sale room, café, or a nook.

Marie commented she believed \$50,000 minimum is a reasonable amount since we are not building new, but simply renovating an existing building. All agreed.

Furthermore, they discussed what the plaques would entail and agreed it would be a simple plaque stating this room was dedicated in honor/memory of the individual and would provide a short list of accomplishments. Liz questioned if the person would also get a plaque with everyone else in the foyer. They agreed no, he/she would only get the plaque by the room.

Liz motioned to approve a room in the new library can be named in an individual’s honor or memory on the stipulation it is a one-time minimum donation of \$50,000 that can be used for any purpose in the renovation and outfitting of the new location. Additionally, the donor should explain the significance of donating and naming it in the person’s honor or memory to ensure relevance to the Ozark Dale County community. Christina seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Please note, Mike texted his approval to Karen after reviewing the summary mentioned above.

Christina motioned to adjourn and Liz seconded. The meeting adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by _____

Approved by Secretary _____