

LIBRARY BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

April 23, 2018

The Library Board of the Buncombe County Public Libraries held a special meeting on April 23, 2018, in the John Bridges Activity Room at Pack Memorial Library. Library Board Members present were Karen Dugas, Lindley Garner, Raymond Griffin, Amanda Smaridge, Stefan Stackhouse, Barbara Weatherall, and Linda Wilkerson. Also present were Buncombe County staff members Georgianna Francis, Library Director; Brandon Freeman, Buncombe County Staff Attorney; and Jim Holland, Buncombe County Assistant County Manager.

Mr. Griffin called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. He read the ethics reminder: *In accordance with the State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every Board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearance of conflict.*

Funding the search for the Next Buncombe County Library Director:

Mr. Holland reviewed the normal Buncombe County process for recruitment and hiring. He also discussed the opportunity to use funds from the Library Trust income to support the use of a consultant to recruit, screen applications, and recommend candidates for consideration for the Library Director position as well as the process that could be used to select and hire a search firm for the Director search.

Ms. Francis reviewed the Trust Funds that are eligible for consideration for funding the Director search.

Mr. Freeman read the proposed Resolution Requesting the Trustees of the Trust Fund for the Asheville-Buncombe Library System to Fund the Search for a New Buncombe County Library Director and stated that action could be in the form of motion or a resolution. Discussion included costs associated with a search and a process for selecting a firm that could include endorsing the County's issuing an RFP for a search firm, a review of the RFP submissions by the Board, and a resolution by the Board to spend Trust funds to hire a search firm.

Ms. Dugas moved that the Library Board advise Buncombe County to send an RFP to search firms to look for a new director. The motion passed.

The Library Board will review RFP responses at the June 14, 2018, meeting.

Adjourn:

There being no further business, Ms. Smaridge presented the motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes Read and approved this the 10 day of May, 2018.



Raymond W. Griffin
Library Board Chair



Georgianna Francis
Library Director