



**Kingsport Public Library Commission – Meeting Minutes**  
**Kingsport Public Library Google Meeting**  
**Monday, March 8, 2021**

**Members Present:** Margaret Counts, Dorothy Dobbins, Betsy Cooper, Kate Harden (all via Skype)

**Others Present:** Chris Markley, Library Manager  
Eric Erwin, Kingsport Public Library IT  
Amy Anderson, Holston River Regional Director

Meeting was called to order by Chris Markley, at 4:03 p.m.

**Actions Taken:**

Approval of Revised Collection Development Policy

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes were not included in the information packets. At the April meeting both January and March minutes will be included.

**Regional Director's report:** Amy Anderson shared that she and the other staff of the Holston River Regional Office are back working in the office. Legislation has been proposed that will eliminate the Regional Library board. Currently the Regional Library board is advisory only. She will keep us updated.

**Manager's Report:** As emailed (on file). Chris Markley shared information about the reopening of the Library building to the public and virtual programs. The Library was awarded the American Dream Literacy Initiative grant and will be partnering with the Literacy Council of Kingsport to provide access to virtual literacy resources for participants. New staff members are starting on March 15.

Chris apologized for the lack of statistical reports this month. Email issues delayed the statistics. February statistical reports will be included in March.

**Old Business:**

Chris provided a brief update on the status of the building renovation. She is meeting with Clinton Roberts of Cain, Rash, West to begin the process of updating plans and formulating a proposed budget.

The Archives will be moving across Broad St to the new City Hall. The space is large and has windows.

**New Business:**



The Collection Development policy was revised to reflect the change in responsibility for selecting materials. A motion to approve the revised Collection Development policy was made by Dorothy Dobbins, seconded by Margaret Counts. The proposal was unanimously approved.

Dorothy Dobbins shared that she is on the Bays Mountain 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary committee and that Brianne Wright of the Archives has been extremely helpful.

Meeting adjourned by Chris Markley at 4:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris Markley, Manager  
March 8, 2021