



BOONE TREE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MINUTES

MARCH 18, 2003

The Spring 2003 meeting of the Boone Tree Library Association was held on March 18, 2003 at the Avoca Branch of the Bristol Public Library in Bristol, Tennessee.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Chrissie Peters, who recognized Sue Knoche on being named Library Journal's Paraprofessional of the Year. A reception will be held in her honor March 25, 2003 at the Quillen College of Medicine Library. A brief update from Jud Barry, Director of Bristol Public/Avoca Library, was distributed, regarding the current BPL building project.

Reports of Officers:

Treasurer's Report: Dues collected at Fall Meeting \$100. Present balance is \$389.15. An additional \$20 was collected in dues this evening.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the previous meeting, September 19, 2002, were distributed and accepted with the following exception: John Grubb made a motion to correct the last sentence in paragraph 8 of said minutes. Dr. Gleaves address will be published in the near future in the Tennessee Librarian. Correction: **Dr. Gleaves planned to submit his presentation for publication in the Tennessee Librarian, but had not done so at that time.** Sue Knoche seconded the motion. The motion carried.

President's Report: Ms. Peters gave an outline of the Five Goals for Boone Tree during the next two years. She explained the Fund-A-Friend Challenge to the membership. The new Boone Tree brochure was distributed. Copies are available upon request.

Executive Board

Chris Demas has agreed to be Boone Tree's webmaster. The Board discussed proposed changes to Association Procedures and Constitution and By-Laws.

Reports of Standing Committees

The Boone Tree web site is almost complete and we need a host for the site.

There was no unfinished business.

New Business

The membership was presented with a draft of the proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws that will be voted on at the next membership meeting.

Announcements

Sullivan County Library will host its 4th Annual Literary Evening on Tuesday, April 1, 2003

Program

The program was given by Biddanda "Suresh" Ponnappa, Assistant Dean for Learning Resources & Director, Quillen College of Medicine Medical Library and the President of the Tennessee Library Association.

His address was on the "Future of Tennessee Libraries." Libraries need to be realistic, not optimistic or pessimistic. They need to be pilots, teaching their staff and the public how to navigate information. The library should become the family center for all types of information with programs geared for patrons of all ages. It is also vital that they be actively aware of new technology.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by the President. The next meeting will be September 18, 2003, 7:00pm., at the Kingsport Public Library. A tour of Avoca Library and refreshments were available afterwards.

Respectfully submitted by

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Secretary
Boone Tree Library Association