

## **Tuesday, May 24, 2022: Open Session**

**Trustees in Attendance:** Paula Bishop, Matthew Suarez, and Allyson Tuckness.

**Trustee(s) Absent:** Janis Hagen.

**Also present:** Renee Brumett; Ashley Carter; Sarah Hayter; Nicholas Holladay; Tory Pegram; Dana Roberts; Stephanie Sekscinski; Mary Thompson; and Brennen Wood.

Christian County Library's Board of Trustees met in a regular monthly session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 24, 2022 in the Nixa Community Branch's large meeting room.

President Matthew Suarez presided and voted to reach a majority.

Any reports, exhibits, or supporting materials presented during the open portions of this meeting and referred to in these minutes may be obtained [upon request](#).

**Start Time:** 6:02 p.m.

### **Public Comments**

None.

### **Consent Agenda**

All items in the consent agenda were adopted without objection.

### **Administrative Highlights**

Executive Director Brumett introduced Trustees to the library's new IT Manager, Brennen Wood.

### **Old Business**

#### COVID Update

Executive Director Brumett reported that there were no recent COVID-related library or personnel policy updates. She will continue to monitor the situation and report back monthly.

#### Finance Update - Nixa Purchase

Executive Director Brumett and Director of Finance and Business Operations Thompson continue to work closely with the Library's financial advisor to investigate pricing and finance options for the possible purchase of the Nixa building. Detailed options and recommendations will be presented to Trustees sometime later this summer.

#### Revisiting Future Board Meeting Locations

Trustees agreed to move back to in-person meetings unless it again becomes unsafe to do so. They plan to hold at least one regular meeting per year at each Community Branch - visiting a different part of the county to start off each quarter - with the rest of the meetings to be held in Nixa.

#### Discussion with Prospective Trustee Candidates & Possible Recommendation of New Trustee

Library staff spoke with all potential candidates for the open position in advance of this meeting to discuss their interest in the position, availability, and qualifications.

During the meeting, Trustees heard from candidates, asked questions, and then discussed whose collective strengths and expertise seemed to be best suited to fit their current needs.

Paula Bishop then moved to recommend Stephanie Sekscinski to the Christian County Commission to fill the West County Area seat on Christian County Library's Board of Trustees vacated by Kristal

Hicks through the remainder of her appointment (until June 30, 2024). Allyson Tuckness seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Bishop: Aye; Trustee Suarez: Aye; Trustee Tuckness: Aye.

### **New Business**

Trustee Term Renewal - Allyson Tuckness - June 30, 2022 until June 30, 2026

Paula Bishop then moved to recommend a term renewal (until June 30, 2026) for Allyson Tuckness to the Christian County Commission. She currently serves as the Nixa Area representative for Christian County Library's Board of Trustees. Matthew Suarez seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Bishop: Aye; Trustee Suarez: Aye; Trustee Tuckness: Aye.

### **Adjournment**

Allyson Tuckness moved to adjourn. Paula Bishop seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Bishop: Aye; Trustee Suarez: Aye; Trustee Tuckness: Aye.

The meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.