

**November 19, 2019 – 5:00 p.m.**  
**Germantown Community Library Board Meeting**

The Germantown Community Library Board met on November 19, 2019, at the Germantown Regional History and Genealogy Center. Chairman Tom Cates called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and a quorum was established.

**Present:** Chairman Tom Cates, Alderman Mary Anne Gibson, Gail Braddock, Tom McFadden, Layla Rouse, Carlin Stuart, Carla Maitland

**Staff:** Daniel Page, Emily Baker, Tina Sansone, Dani Sposato

**Consideration of September 24, 2019 Minutes**

Minutes from September 24, 2019, were considered. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Carlin Stuart. A second to the motion was made by Tom McFadden. Minutes were unanimously approved.

**Comments by Chairman Tom Cates**

Chairman Tom Cates welcomed everyone.

**Friends Bookstore Report**

Tom McFadden gave an update on the Friends of the Library. There are 901 active members. This is an all-time high. The bookstore is regularly breaking their sales records. The new conference room project has been funded and approved. Construction is scheduled to begin January 6, 2020.

**Tennessee Genealogical Society Report**

Carla Maitland reported on the success of recent programs and provided an update on upcoming events.

**Report from Library**

Daniel Page reported on positive statistics and upcoming events.

**New Business**

The Board considered amending the library policy to allow non-resident fee exemptions to retired and veteran military. Currently, the exemption is for active military only. A motion to approve the amendment was made by Sharon Goldsworthy. A second to the motion was made by Layla Rouse. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board considered upcoming programs – one featuring a Christian author book signing; one featuring the Muslims in Memphis art display and discussion. A motion to approve the programs was made by Carlin Stuart. A second to the motion was made by Tom McFadden. The motion was unanimously approved.

A subcommittee was formed to consider how to recognize the Friends and Kiwanis for their generous financial support of the new conference room. Subcommittee members include Gail Braddock, Stacey Ewell, Carlin Stuart, and Daniel Page. The committee will meet and provide a follow up report to the Library Board in January.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m. The next meeting will be January 28, 2020, at 5:00 p.m., at the Germantown Community Library.

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Library Board Chair Signature