



**Kingsport Public Library Commission – Meeting Minutes  
Kingsport Public Library Boardroom  
Monday, January 13, 2019**

**Members Present:** Betsy Cooper, Dorothy Dobbins, Gail Campbell, Kate Harden, Margaret Counts, Melissa Hamby

**Others Present:** Chris Markley, Library Manager, Amy Kimani, Regional Director, Roni Derossett, Secretary, Beth Gino, Friends of the Library, Nick Dimassis, Library Strategies Consultant, Karen Cassel, Reference Librarian/Supervisor, Casey Applebaum, Youth Services Librarian/Supervisor

Meeting was called to order by Chris Markley, Library Manager, at 4:00pm.

**Actions Taken:**

Approval of December 2019 Meeting Minutes

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the December 2019 meeting were approved. Motion made by Margaret to approve; second by Melissa, approval unanimous.

**Regional Director's Report:** Amy shared information about the two current job openings at the regional office. She shared statistics from 2019 READS data, which showed a 14.8% increase in usage over 2018. She also shared information about upcoming workshops at Regional which members were invited to attend if they wish.

**Manager's Report:** As emailed (on file). Chris Markley shared information about upcoming special hours on MLK Day (Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup>.) Chris was delighted to share the high attendance numbers from the library's December programs, which included a Holiday Ornament Workshop and a Cricut 101 class in the Makerspace, the Polar Express Party, a Noonday Celebration, and The Grinch movie.

In January the library will be hosting a Family Pajama Read-In on Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, from 6-7pm.

Circulation and financial reports as emailed (on file).

**Old Business:**



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Nick Dimassis, one of the Library Strategies consultants, was introduced to the Library Commission. Nick and Chris presented and discussed an overview of the Strategic Plan, which were approved at the December 2019 Commission meeting, and the Facilities Plan.

**New Business:**

No new business to discuss.

Meeting adjourned by Chris Markley at 5:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Roni Derossett, Secretary  
January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020