

CAPE GIRARDEAU PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ANNUAL RETREAT

Thursday, Sept 9th, 2021 @ 4-8pm
Cape Girardeau Public Library

- Attendance** Present: Amy Trueblood, John McGowan, Red Redinger, Emily Vines, Stacy Lane, John Voss, Dave Diveley, Rekha Patterson, Cindy Heischmidt
Also present: Director Katie Earnhart, Linda Bailiff, Nicolette Brennan
- The retreat began at 4pm.
- Something Fun w/Red** Red and the board participated in a “getting to know you” activity, as well as a team building exercise with emphasis on kind communication.
- State of the Board Succession Planning** The board discussed members whose terms will expire and when. They also discussed the qualities/expertise of new board members for ideal future candidates.
- Staff Presentations & Dinner** Sharon Anderson, Youth Services Coordinator; Whitney Burton, Marketing; Barrett Kinsey, Technology and Kayla Thompson, Adult Services Coordinator all gave 5 minute presentations re-capping last years’ activities/accomplishments.
- Problem-Solving/ Brainstorming** Nicolette Brennan with the City of Cape conducted a problem-solving brainstorming session with the board members. Main topics included policies, operations and funding. There was a break-out session and those notes have been sent to Stacy.
- Strategic Plan Recap and Future Plans** Amy took us through the history of the current Strategic Plan/recap. John Voss gave the board an overview of the plan status. John will arrange for the Strategic Plan Committee to meet and discuss and bring their ideas to the board.
- The retreat ended at 8pm.
- Next Board Regular Meeting:** Thursday, October 7th @ 7am
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Recorder: Linda Bailiff