

RUPERT J. SMITH LAW LIBRARY

Minutes December 12, 2014

Present: Honorable Charles A. Schwab, Chairman
James Wilder, Trustee
Johnathan A. Ferguson, Esquire, Trustee
James T. Walker, Esquire, Trustee
Paula Lewis, Trustee
Nora Everlove, Librarian

I. MINUTES:

Trustee Lewis calls the meeting to order.

II. MOTIONS:

Trustee Wilder Motion to postpone the reading of the minutes and that they be continued again to the next meeting. Trustee Ferguson seconds the Motion and the Motion was unanimously carried.

Trustee Walker Motions to approve the Financials with corrections involving the amount received from donations for the CLE tapes. Trustee Ferguson seconds the Motion and the Motion was unanimously carried.

Trustee Walker Motions to build a conference room in the Fort Pierce Law Library. It will cost between, \$12,000.00 to \$17,000.00. Nora will prepare a proposal and submit it at the next meeting showing a current bid and the cost of moving furniture. Trustee Ferguson seconds the Motion and the Motion was unanimously carried.

III. DISCUSSION POINTS:

Minutes from prior meetings (tabled)

Financials

Update on the Rosser Road Site

Statistics

10 Year Plan

Conference room in the Law Library (Fort Pierce)

IV. FINANCIALS:

See the attached financials.

There needs to be an adjustment in the amount received for Donations.

V. READING MINUTES:

Reading of the past minutes are postponed until the December meeting.

VI. ROSSER ROAD SITE:

Update on the Rosser Road site the County provided a copy of a proposed Amended Memorandum just about all of the Board's request for changes were made. The only issue is how much the Law Library will contribute to construction and the build out of space. The County came back with an approximate amount of \$55,000.00 as to our contributions towards the build out. Trustee Ferguson questioned that and made some arguments on how we do not have much money and we are doing everyone a favor. The County responded back stating they took our request under consideration but they are sticking to their guns to the \$55,000.00. The question is, do we want to accept that amount? We have until May, 2015 to decide that is the tentative date for signing the contract. Trustee Ferguson believes we need to sit with the County to try to agree on the cost. Build out would not be until 2016. It is not clear if we can afford to staff and operate plus furnish the library at this time, more time is needed to consider. Nora will prepare a spreadsheet and a proposed floor plan for the next meeting. Trustee Walker will research to see if there is any Library funding available.

VII. TEN YEAR PLAN:

Nora is currently working on a new 10 year plan.

VIII. STATISTICS:

Nora presented statistics for the Law Library's web page as of 1 month ago. There were approximately 10,000 downloads. One of the top ten websites was "Family Passages". There are quite a few people viewing the minutes posted. Friendly passages is being read widely in the United States and there are views from all over the world. Nora states that 74% of our viewers are from the United States. There is a bounce rate which is the percentage of visitors who enter the site but go to other pages that rate is approximately 79%.


IX. ADDITIONAL CONFERENCE ROOM IN THE FORT PIERCE LAW LIBRARY:

Trustee Walker is moving to build an additional conference room in the Fort Pierce Law Library. It will cost between, \$12,000.00 to \$17,000.00. Nora will prepare a proposal and submit it at the next meeting showing a current bid and the cost of moving furniture.

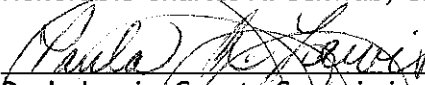
As there were no further topics the meeting was adjourned.

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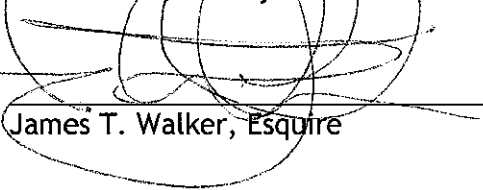
Dated and signed by the following Trustees this 9th day of January, 2015.



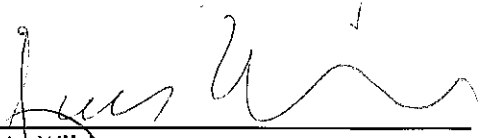
Honorable Charles A. Schwab, Chairman



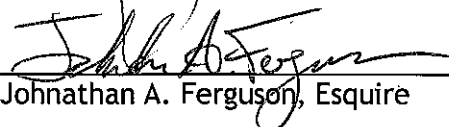
Paula Lewis, County Commissioner



James T. Walker, Esquire



James A. Wilder



Johnathan A. Ferguson, Esquire