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NOMINATION ACCEPTANCE AND BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FORM

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Candidate David A. Eckert

I accept the nomination to serve as a candidate for: Board of Directors

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EDUCATION (LIST MOST RECENT FIRST)		
Degree	Institution	Dates
Master of Library Science	Kent State University	August, 1995
Bachelor of Music, Double Bass Performance	Southern Methodist University	May, 1987
POSITIONS (LIST MOST RECENT FIRST)		
Position	Institution	Dates
Library Director	Crowley Ridge Regional Library	July, 2014 – present
Assistant Library Director	Crowley Ridge Regional Library	November, 2007 – June 2014
Head of Youth Services	Camden Co. Library System, Main Branch	September, 2006 – November, 2007
Youth Services Librarian	Camden Co. Library System, Gloucester Branch	January 2004 – September, 2006
Librarian/Instructor	Community For Learning, Santo Domingo, DR	February, 2002 – June 2003
Library Director	New Horizons Bilingual School, Santo Domingo, DR	August, 1999 – June, 2001
Reference Librarian	Samford University, Birmingham, AL	July, 1995 – July, 1998
HONORS, AWARDS, PRIZES, MEDALS, CITATIONS		

MEMBERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES IN STATE, REGIONAL, AND NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Library Related Organizations:

Arkansas Library Association Executive Board – VP, President, Past President: 2016 to present; Member since 2008
AMIGOS – Fellowship and Opportunity Award Committee: 2015 – 2016
Arkansas Teen Book Award – Co-founder & Steering Committee Member: 2009 – 2012
Arkansas Association of Instructional Media – Journal Copy Editor and member: 2010 – 2013
American Library Association – Public Library Association: Member since 2008

Community Involvement:

Rotary Club – Board Member: 2012 – 2014; Member since 2009
Jonesboro Chamber of Commerce – Workforce Committee Member: 2008 – 2017
Northeast Arkansas Society for Human Resources – Board Member: 2014 – 2016; Member since 2010
Arkansas State University – Museum Board: 2013 - 2014

PUBLICATIONS

STATEMENT OF CONCERN

The two biggest concerns I have today with regards to libraries is maintaining adequate funding and staying relevant for our patrons and communities that we serve. Amigos offers a wide variety of services and benefits that help to mitigate these concerns for any size and type of library. These include everything from webinars in a wide variety of subjects to discounts for library supplies to an ILL delivery service. All of these things not only help libraries to stretch their precious dollars, but also to educate their staff in new technologies and ideas at low or no-cost levels. Since more than 750 institutions depend upon these services and benefits offered by Amigos, it becomes the responsibility of the Board of Directors to oversee that budgets are spent wisely, that a high quality of service continues to be offered, and that the organization is positioned to meet its strategic goals.



Signature

March 28, 2018

Date

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