

Lancaster County Library

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, May 27, 2025

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Lancaster County Library - Kershaw Branch

101 N. Hampton Street, Kershaw, SC 29067

Members Present:

George Kirlin, Chair

Debby Hegler

Keith Grey, Sr.

Phyllis Jarvis

Anne Murphy

Ann Tillman

Jim Timmons

Members Absent Excused:

Maryetta Taylor

Paulette Isoldi

Staff Present:

April Williams, Director

Nancy Berry, Deputy Director

Tally Johnson, Deputy Director

Call To Order: 6:37 PM by George Kirlin, Chair

Public Comments: Brittany Gargano-Smith, who will be representing District 7 after July 1, was present. J. Timmons made oatmeal raisin cookies for all in attendance.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to accept J. Timmons & 2nd K. Grey. All approved

Acceptance of March Minutes: Motion to accept: P. Jarvis; 2nd J. Timmons. All approved.

Welcome to the Newest Board Member, Ann Tillman.

Librarian's Report:

- March 26 Lancaster Breakfast Rotary delivered books to the Children's home.
- April 5 Springfest occurred with beekeepers and birdhouse painting.
- April 7 Ribbon cutting for the Del Webb book lockers.
- April 6 - 12 - National Library Week
- April 16 FT Outreach Librarian position approved.
 - Lancaster Breakfast Rotary is interesting in partnering.
 - Looking into Memory cafes for dementia patients.
- Foundation meetings at Del Webb and Lancaster
- April 26 Literary Fest with the Arts Council
- April 27 Planting Day with the Amitie Cotillion
- April 30 Lancaster Rotary presentation on the Summer Reading Program
- SCLA Board Meetings
- May 13 Pollinator Garden Planted.
 - Soil and Water department participated.
 - Future Farmers of America participated.
 - Bird bath feature will be added.
- Advertisement at DMV kicked off.

Deputy Directors' Reports:

- T. Johnson
 - Book lockers now in use.
 - Tally has become a notary; Susan continues to be one as well.
 - Summer Reading kick off party June 4 with donut food truck
 - June 14 Ukelele Blues Concert scheduled for all ages.
 - Lucky Day Collection debuted:
 - No holds
 - Popular lease books
 - Two week checkouts.
 - Adults and children
 - New Children's Librarian started on the 26th. Welcome, Renee!
- N. Berry
 - New Floorplan
 - Attended Deputy Directors of SC meeting in April and May.

- Author discussion
- New staff member Chris starting in the children's section.
- Web design changes

Statistics

- G Kirlin inquired about DVD and audio book checkouts in Del Webb.
- Discussion about teen facilities.

One Day Staff Meeting

- April 25 State Library visited and hosted an all staff meeting.
- Vision, Circulation Overview, Elevator Pitch, and DISC assessments.

Financials

- Hoopla is capped at \$650 per month; 8 items per card; \$2.99 and below.
- Summer Reading has a grant coming in.
- Money will be spent prior to budget year end.

Discussion

- Introduction of new members
- Strategic Plan ended in 2025.
 - A. Murphy recommended we all read and be prepared to discuss in July.
- Archives
 - G. Kirlin met with J. Craig, R. Band, and P. Jarvis (Serves both Boards)
 - Business plan not formalized yet.
 - Remodel is in permitting; remodel starts July with Fall 2026 goal.
 - Asking County Council for operating costs.
 - Hiring full time archivist, 1 FT employee and 1 PT employee
 - Will have climate controlled material storage.
- Library Foundation (presented by A. Williams as shared by P. Isoldi)
 - 2 meetings held in April; Del Webb had roughly 30 people in attendance.
 - Goals
 - Fundraising from the ground up
 - Capital raising for all branches
 - Foundation Board created
- Elections
 - A. Murphy, chair
 - J. Timmons, vice chair
 - A. Tillman, secretary

Next Meeting: July 22 at the Del Webb branch.

Adjourn: 8:15 PM by P. Jarvis and second by A. Murphy. All Approved.