

**Lancaster County Library System
Board Meeting
Minutes February 22, 2022**

Date: Tuesday, February 22, 2022

Time: 6:30 p. m.

**Location: Del Webb Library
7641 Charlotte Hwy
Indian Land, SC**

Members Present:

Erick v. Crawford (via phone)
Dr. Deborah Cureton
Leocadia Frances
Debby Hegler
George Kirlin
Phyllis Jarvis
MaryEtta Taylor
Dr. Jim Timmons

Staff Present:

April Williams, Director
Nancy Berry, Deputy Director

Members Absent:

NA

Call to Order- 6:30 p.m., Dr. Cureton
Request from Dr. Cureton for a opening prayer

Public Comments- none

Comments from Dr. Cureton:

-G. Kirlin made an eloquent and informative presentation to the County Board regarding the existing needs of the libraries in the county and the remaining funds from the 2014 penny tax. He reported that he had received positive feedback about the presentation.

-Dr. Cureton officially welcomed April Williams as the new Library Director for Lancaster County.

Minutes- previous meeting minutes were reviewed; motion to approve, D. Hegler; 2nd, L. Frances; motion carried

Librarian's report

-included in the packet

- A. Williams presented the Librarian's Report; numbers are very good; there have been 313 new patrons added in January; Library use is steadily increasing as well.
- Nutramax has suggested that the library establish relationships with other entities to increase the possibility of achieving funding for major projects.
- The library was closed to the public on Feb. 21st to conduct training for the library staff; trainings went very well; the County Administrator dropped in; the county provided lunch for the staff participating that day.
- Upcoming programs for adults are in the works.
- Kerry McCoy will be coming on full time next week
- They are considering doing a podcast.
- April made a toast at the Arts Gala while footage of library use was shown in the background.
- Mar. 9 the Arts Council is bringing part of the National Arts Day activities to the Main Library meeting room.
- Nancy reported that progress has been made in the children's section of Del Webb; a self-check out station has been set up; and that the Friends of the Library are beginning work in the used book section next week- they have hired a moving company to help pack up and move things out of the area so that the flooring and painting can be done.

Financial Report:

- was included in the packet; the budget presentation will be made to the county Administrator Mar. 3. A presentation to the County Board will be forthcoming.

Old Business

- the opening after hours issue was revisited from previous meetings; G. Kirlin provided members with lists from all libraries that will be presented to the County Administrator and County Board; the lists will be presented in two parts- those regarding needs to enable after hours meetings will be made separately so that the Board can move forward with developing policies for those meetings and get this going for the public.

- There was much discussion regarding the needs and how best to present them.
This led to more discussion about future improvements to keep in mind for the libraries.

New Business:

- The previous information from Nutramax led to discussion for seeking out other partners for the libraries.
- A number of possibilities were mentioned; there had been a list developed some time ago, but the consensus was that the Board needed to go through the old information and develop a new list to see what steps we need to take to develop partnerships and work o fundraising efforts.
- Dr. Timmons told us that he had come across some bronze statues of children that he would like to set displayed. They were donated to the town of Kershaw, so it seems natural for them to stay there; Dr. Timmons suggested putting a couple in front of the Kershaw Library. April, Nancy, and Susan will look at them to see is that is a possibility.
- P. Jarvis reported about the plans to hold a reception for April Williams at the Main Library on Monday, February 28. She and N. Berry have been making preparations for this event.

Adjourn

There being no other business, Dr. Cureton adjourned the meeting at 7:52 PM after a motion by L. Frances and 2nd by P. Jarvis.