

MINUTES
Lexington County Library Board Meeting
October 26, 2020
10:30 a.m.

The Lexington County Library Board held its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, October 26, 2020 in the Lexington Main Library beginning at 10:40 a.m. Chairman Mary Ann McClintic presided.

Mrs. Louise Riley gave the Invocation.

Members Attending: Mrs. Mary Ann McClintic Mr. George Duke (remotely)
 Mr. Vachel Jones (remotely) Mr. Bill Jones
 Mrs. Louise Riley Mrs. Cherise Arrendale (remotely)
 Mrs. Stephanie Sturkie (remotely)

Members Absent: Mrs. Linda Griffith – Prior commitment
 Mrs. Joyce Romans – Prior commitment

Also in attendance: Kelly Poole, Director; Michelle Williams, Deputy Director (remotely); Amber Conger, Deputy Director; Wendy Groscost, Executive Assistant; Jennifer Steele, Administrative Assistant (remotely) and Sam Jones, guest of Mr. Bill Jones.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was posted on the Library’s website and on the front door of the Lexington Main Library.

Approval of Minutes – Meeting of September 28, 2020

Chair Mary Ann McClintic asked if there were any additions or corrections to the September 28, 2020 meeting minutes. There was none. Mr. Bill Jones moved to approve September 28, 2020 minutes, seconded by Mrs. Louise Riley.

Chair Mary Ann McClintic called for the vote.

In Favor: Mrs. Mary Ann McClintic Mr. George Duke (remotely)
 Mr. Vachel Jones (remotely) Mr. Bill Jones
 Mrs. Louise Riley Mrs. Cherise Arrendale (remotely)

Abstained: Mrs. Stephanie Sturkie (remotely)

Chairman’s Report – There was none.

Mr. Bill Jones gave a short report regarding the Comprehensive Plan zoom meeting he attended that talked about the potential growth of Lexington County over the next 20 years. One topic discussed was the input from the citizens who are looking for better roads, schools, green spaces – but not more people.

Committee Reports – Chair Mary Ann McClintic asked if there were any Committee Reports. There were none.

Director’s Report – Director Poole gave the Director’s Report and shared the Bank Reconciliation Report for September 2020.

Director Poole discussed EDI training in the Library system. Mandatory training for all staff occurred in July 2020, and additional training opportunities have been provided in the Staff Development newsletters. The Library has been promoting Diversity through programming, book displays, training resources and services, marketing and hiring practices. Many of our staff are forward-thinking, and want to provide EDI in programming on a variety of topics such as family diversity, race and LGBT.

Unfinished Business –

Several Board members discussed the potential outcomes for the minors involved in the vandalism at the SCPR branch. Mr. Bill Jones discussed that there may be a way to avoid pressing charges for the parties involved.

Chair Mary Ann McClintic mentioned that the newly resurfaced parking lot at Lexington Main looks so much better. Director Poole let the Board know that the parking lot had not been updated in almost 23 years.

There was more discussion regarding the prospect of the Library eliminating fines. They also inquired about how many other SC counties have gone fine free. Director Poole shared that similar sized counties such as Richland, Kershaw and Charleston have eliminated overdue fines in the past few years. She also shared LCPL’s statistical information that reflected increases in circulation during July, August & September.

New Business – Chair Mary Ann McClintic asked if there was any new business.

- **Temporary Policies**
 - Director Poole made the request that the Library continue to suspend overdue fines through January 1, 2021. After some discussion, the Board felt that the suspension of overdue fines should be extended through January 31, 2021. Mr. Bill Jones moved to approve the Temporary Policy through January 31, 2021, seconded by Mr. George Duke.

Chair Mary Ann McClintic called for the vote.

In Favor:	Mrs. Mary Ann McClintic	Mr. George Duke (remotely)
	Mr. Vachel Jones (remotely)	Mr. Bill Jones
	Mrs. Louise Riley	Mrs. Cherise Arrendale (remotely)

Adjournment – Mrs. Mary Ann McClintic moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Bill Jones.

In Favor:	Mrs. Mary Ann McClintic	Mr. George Duke (remotely)
	Mr. Vachel Jones (remotely)	Mr. Bill Jones
	Mrs. Louise Riley	Mrs. Cherise Arrendale (remotely)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:15 p.m.

Next Meeting will be 10:30 a.m. on November 30, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy D. Groscost
Executive Assistant

Kelly R. Poole
Director