

**DAVIE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
January 19, 2023**

PRESENT: Lisa Nielsen, Carole Demmy, Khristen Mears, Meika Imes and Dr. Graham, Derrick Wold,
Executive Director

The March 16, 2023, meeting was set as the time for the “meet and greet” with the staff as well as a group photo of the Board. Please plan to attend!

The meeting was called to order by Lisa, chair.

**Khristen moved and Meika seconded the motion to approve the November 2022 minutes as emailed.
Motion passed.**

Guest: Brian Barnett, Davie County Manager, spoke to the Board concerning residents’ complaints about books in the Library’s collection. He agrees that staff should follow the established policies and procedures and patrons should follow proper protocol for filing complaints.

Reports of the Library Director

Operations Report:

Updates:

- The Remote Locker Project – the use of the DDCC site once a month is not satisfactory for patrons. The grant requires that the lockers be housed in a non-profit site. Other places are being sought.
- Recent patron activity – book challenges. The Board agrees that challenges will be respectfully handled when brought to our attention from Davie County resident patrons.
- Community Garden Project – this is part of the library’s strategic plan. The hope is that the pollinators will be in place by 2024. The Eco-Explorer grant will help start the project. The pollinators will be placed in the front yard of the library.
- The Read-to-Me grant was awarded in the spring of 2022. This is an annual program benefiting children and providing books for them. Other grant ideas were suggested, such as <http://dollywoodfoundation.org>.
- History Room: Marcia is working with Kelly Funderburk, Davie County Register of Deeds, on a program called “People not Property”.
- Status report: The Library has already accomplished 50% of goals for the year. There is hope that all 100% will be accomplished by June 30, 2023. Post-COVID usage of the facility is high.
- **Cooleemee Branch:** Progress is being made in finding another facility for the Cooleemee branch. The town’s police department shut down, so this site may be appropriate for the branch. ADA and other accommodations need to be made to the building.

Staff Report:

- Staff surveys were submitted (12/17). The responses were very positive, with communication among staff being the only one needing adaptation.
- The page position may be filled in the next few days. At that point, all positions will be filled.

Carole Demmy (2024) Julie Dillon (2024) Dr. Regina Graham (2023)
Chris Hazlip (2023) Meika Imes (2026) Khristen Mears (2024) Lisa Nielsen (2026)

Budget:

The Eco-Explorer grant will help with the pollinator project.

The NRSF (Non-Recurring State Funding) grant of \$50,000 will be in place in December of 2024 and should be used by December of 2026.

The Mocksville Tourism Grant is being completed. This would be used for a digital announcement board for the front yard of the Library.

Reports of Committees: no reports

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be Thursday, March 16, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. (With group photo and “meet and greet” with staff)

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Demmy, secretary