

Dorchester County Library Board of Trustees
George H. Seago Library, Summerville, SC
July 15, 2019, 7 PM

Present: Warren McCarl, Robert Antill, Jane Horton, Beth Sabine, Cassandra Manigault and, Bill Collins, Michelle Leviner.

Absent: Katherine Pemberton, Keturah Inabinett

Guests: Sherryl James, Saskia Keller, Jenn Gleber, Leslie Koller, Rudd Smith.

The meeting was **called to order** by Chairman Collins at 7:00 pm.

No **communications** were received.

Public Comments:

- Leslie Koller invited the Board members to July 31, 2019 celebrations of Harry Potter's birthday. Activities for all ages are planned.
- Rudd Smith spoke on behalf of the Dorchester County Archives and History Center. The Center is losing their exhibit space in the St. George Courthouse and would like to relocate in the Ridgeville area. Their needs are approximately 25,000 sq. ft. of exhibit space, outdoor parking and amphitheater. They request that the Dorchester Library consider partnering with them on a location in the Ridgeville area.

Dr. McCarl moved that **minutes of the May 6th and May 24th meetings** be approved as presented, seconded by Ms. Leviner and passed.

Business Report –Income as of 06/30/19 was \$3,858,774.78, expenses were \$2,738,291.44. Surplus funds available as of 06/30/2019 are \$4,822,453.03. Ms. Sabine moved that \$2,000,000.00 be moved to a money market account. The motion was seconded by Ms. Horton and passed. The business report was accepted as presented.

Directors Report

- The new HVAC at the Summerville Branch has a part that must be replaced. The part is ordered and should be replaced under warranty. The new landscaping maintenance company at the Summerville branch is working well and improvements to the grounds are being seen.
- The HVAC at the St. George branch caused a leak that damaged the power supply in the Server room. This has been repaired. An additional roof leak was discovered and is being repaired under the insurance bond from construction.
- Vacancies in staffing have been filled. Kathy Walters returned from “retirement” and will remain as Head of IT until permanent retirement.
- End of year statistics were shared. Print circulation is up over last year. Digital has also increased.
- The new www.dorchesterlibrarysc.org has launched. A demonstration was given after the meeting.

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- Several monthly meetings were attended. A list is included in his written report. Of note is work done to achieve the grand opening of the STEAM lab at Summerville Elementary in early September.

Committee Reports

No reports.

New Business

No new business.

At 7:45 pm the motion to **adjourn** the meeting was made by Dr. McCarl. Ms. Sabine seconded the motion, it passed unanimously.