

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

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Sussex County Library Advisory Board (LAB) Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 17, 2023 10a -11:30a

West Complex Meeting Room Virtual participation is available

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Attendees: Stephen Schwartz, Candace Vessella, Dyan Connolly, Rachel Lynch, Carol Fitzgerald, Alison Miller, Jerry Keiser, Jill DiPaolo, Kelly Kline, Cathrine Kramer, Annie Norman, Katie McDonnough, Lea Rosell, Mary Brittingham, Sue Keefe, Jessica Webb

Meeting called to order 10:06 am

Call to Order & Adoption of the Wednesday, May 17, 2023, Agenda.

Motion to adopt agenda Motion: Candace; Seconded by: Dyan

Approve Wednesday, April 19, 2023, Minutes.

Motion to approve minutes Motion: Candace; Seconded by: Dyan

Announcements:

County Libraries staffing:

SDOL – Hired Outreach Librarian & PT

Greenwood – Hired FT Librarian IV

Open

FT – SDOL

PT – South Coastal

LAB member unable to attend due to time conflict. Discussion of moving date/time. Candace went on record stating that it is valuable and important to have meeting during SDOL business times. Dyan request occurring event with Zoom meeting on calendar.

Sussex County Libraries

- System Updates – no meeting due to DLA/MLA conference
- Legislative Day review: County Librarian and Candace met with representatives. Both visited representatives support education and libraries.
- Staff Development Day: Relaxed and networking. Went smoothly
- DLA/MLA conference: Rachel attended Thursday. Enjoyed sessions attended. Leadership based on Game of Thrones; Puppy breaks
- Library Advisory Board Members (LAB) Updates
 - Candace: will schedule meeting with Rehoboth director and discuss new building. Meets regularly with Lewes
 - Dyan: Nothing big to report. Georgetown and Millsboro received funds for Summer Reading Program. Millsboro hiring
 - Stephen: Laurel now fully staffed. Seaford looking for new Assistant Director. Delmar: Director returning from maternity leave



DDL/Steering/DE Libraries/COL

- Council on Libraries report.: Service areas with maps based on 2020 census revealed. Lewes & Rehoboth needs discussion for new Library Service Scatter graph with new populations useful.
 - Changes will not affect the Bookmobile much as it already visits library occupied areas.
- Public Library Steering Committee report: Steering meetings now Directors meetings until Steering representation figured out.
 - Discussed Automatic Renewals: Sussex will need to vote before approved
 - Technology updates on statistic collection software

Next meeting date: Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 10:00am West Complex 1st Floor meeting room. Virtual participation is available.

Adjourn at 10:43 am.

Motion: Candace; Seconded by: Dyan

In accordance with 29 Del. C. §10004(e)(2), this Agenda was posted on May 10, 2023, at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting.

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