

**Camden County Library District  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
April 21, 2025**

**Roll Call**

Board members present: Dr. Mary Pat Brooks, Adam Guttman, Nancy Pope, and Rebecca Sofolo. Staff present: Jim Pasley, Director; Coli Creach, Assistant Director; and Vicki Granneman, Assistant Director, acted as recorder.

Brooks called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Acceptance of Agenda**

Pope moved to accept the agenda. Motion was seconded by Sofolo and approved by the board.

**Director's Comments**

Branch Managers continue to plan the Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff to be held at the Camdenton Library on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> from 10 am – 2 pm. Trivia Night was a success. The April Chapter and Chatter will be on tariffs. Sara started as the Branch Manager at Macks Creek on April 1<sup>st</sup>. A system-wide open house was held on April 9<sup>th</sup>. The library district will be recognized for our passport and notary service in the May issue of Show Me Express.

**Legislative Updates**

IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services) is funded through September 2025.

House Bill 903 reduces the assessment percentage of tangible personal property over a period of years. Bill is currently not on a House calendar.

HB 557 establishes requirements for library boards to be elected. Bill is currently not on a House calendar.

**Minutes**

Pope moved to approve the minutes of the March meeting. Motion was seconded by Guttman and approved by the board.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Pope moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion was seconded by Guttman and approved by the board.

Pope moved to invest \$700,000 for 6 months at 4.30% APY. Motion was seconded by Guttman and approved by the board.

### **Bills Payable**

Sofolo moved to approve the monthly bills as presented. Motion was seconded by Guttman and approved by the board.

### **Branch Reports**

The Branch Manager's meeting was held on April 2nd. The new Branch Manager at Macks Creek is doing a good job. She has already visited the school.

The board suggested contacting OATS to see if libraries can be added as a stop. Branch Managers at Osage Beach and Camdenton will contact OATS after the Summer Reading Challenge is completed.

The next Branch Manager's meeting will be on Wednesday, May 14th. The Branch Manager's meetings will be on hold until after the Summer Reading Challenge.

### **Unfinished Business**

As part of the strategic planning, Branch Managers are to visit their local school and provide feedback on monthly reports, security cameras need to be updated at all branches, mace, and wasp spray sent to all branches, update fleet, and explore spaces for libraries.

Jim and Vicki are to meet with Adam and Rebecca and report at the June meeting.

### **New Business**

We raised \$925 at our Trivia Night fundraiser. Pope moved to increase the children's programming budget by \$925. Motion seconded by Sofolo and approved by the board.

Pope moved to remove the driver's license requirement from all job descriptions. Motion seconded by Sofolo and approved by the board.

We did not receive any bids on our tractor or trailer. Bids will be received until the May meeting.

## **Public Comments**

Brooks read the public comments statement. The board heard comments from Sara Kester, Laura Scott, and Dan Ousley.

Pope moved to enter into closed session. Motion seconded by Guttman and approved through roll call. Pope voted yea, Guttman voted yea, Sofolo voted yea, and Brooks voted yea.

Sofolo moved to leave closed session. Motion seconded by Guttman and approved through roll call. Sofolo voted yea, Guttman voted yea, Pope voted yea, and Brooks voted yea.

Brooks will contact Laura Scott about her concerns. Spinner racks will not be moved.

The sign in the backyard at Osage Beach needs to be addressed.

Pope moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Guttman and approved by the board.