

**Camden County Library District
Board of Trustees Meeting
September 29, 2025**

Roll Call

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

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

Acceptance of Agenda

Sofolo moved to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Menard and approved by the board.

Pasley explained that most of his time is spent putting out fires. Pasley stated that the job is challenging and thanked the board for their support.

Director's Comments

Pasley met with the Democrats club to promote library services. The next Chapter and Chatter will be on the history of transportation.

Pasley attended a virtual meeting regarding the possibility of eliminating personal property taxes and re-evaluating real estate taxes. This new system will be done by region, not county. This would make the senior exemption null and void. The next meeting will be on 10-19-25.

We received our levy certification from the State Auditor. The generator is up and running. The maintenance department will start and run the generator monthly.

We had an incident with some rowdy teenagers after school. They have been denied access to the library for one month.

Minutes

Guttman moved to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2025, meeting. Motion seconded by Pope and approved by the board.

Treasurer's Report

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

Bills Payable

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

Branch Reports

Brooks commented that a lot of adult library cards were issued in August.

Unfinished Business

As part of strategic planning, the board has finished interviewing the administration at Camdenton.

Guttman moved to keep Girls Resist! shelved in the adult section. Motion seconded by Menard and approved by the board. Pope abstained.

Sofolo moved to keep Something Happened In Our Town shelved in the E section. Motion seconded by Pope and approved by the board. Menard abstained.

New Business

Menard moved to approve the revision to Section 2, Subsection 1, limiting the number of DVDs to be checked out to five (5). Motion seconded by Solofo and approved by the board.

Menard moved to approve the revision to Section 2, Subsection 19, stating that challenged materials cannot be challenged again for three (3) years from the date the board rendered its decision on these materials. Motion seconded by Guttman and approved by the board.

Pope moved to approve a budget adjustment to purchase a new vehicle not to exceed \$45,000. Motion seconded by Sofolo.

Public Comments

Laura Scott thanked Pasley for speaking at the Democrats club and thanked the board for keeping the Early Reader book on the E shelf.

Sofolo moved to enter into closed session. Motion seconded by Menard and approved by the board. Sofolo voted yea, Menard voted yea, Pope voted yea, Guttman voted yea, and Brooks voted yea.

Brooks adjourned the meeting.