

York County Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes from
October 11, 2018
Fort Mill Branch Library

The YCL board was called to order by Chairman Frank Konow. A quorum was determined with the following in attendance: Debra Dahlin, Nik Bramblett, Sally Goodson, Joy Price, and Wendi Michael.

The meeting agenda and August meeting minutes were approved.

Director's Reports:

Budget: There are no major issues with the budget. The state will begin the reimbursement for \$50,000 towards the bookmobile.

Statistics: Based on PLA project outcome, the data from the summer reading showed most categories were agree or strongly agree. The statistical report shows that the circulation decrease is below 1% as compared to last year. YCL is almost back to no effect from the change to three week circulations from two. There was a small dip in door counts in September which is normal. There was one malfunctioning counter, and all branches have new and better counters.

Bookmobile and Sprinter Van updates: The building of the bookmobile is about 6 weeks behind schedule. It was projected to be ready in early December and now the projection is mid January. YCL is looking into a possible penalty to the company for a delayed delivery. Sprinter van-The cost of the bookmobile is less than the \$250,000 allotted, and with the \$50,000 from the state, the Friends of the Library have stated they could go in 50% with the library to purchase a sprinter van. The bookmobile would serve youth and sprinter van would serve the seniors of the county.

Facilities: The large columns at the Fort Mill branch have been replaced and painted. The beautification project has begun with painting inside the branches.

Challenged Book: A patron challenged the book *Sex is a Funny Word* by Corey Silberbery and Fiona Smith. It is a nonfiction children's book. A reconsideration committee was formed and looked into the book. YCL has 4 copies with 28 circulations. There are 6 other libraries in the state with the book, and the reviews are positive. The committee concluded that YCL should keep the book. The patron has the right to appeal the decision to the board.

The Lake Wylie branch has made an offer to Rae Lovvern for branch manager. The library also hired a new maintenance technician, Steven Tagger.

Strategic Plan Draft-YCL has created a strategic plan from the survey given earlier in the year. There are four focus areas: Customer Service, Resources and Materials, Community Engagement, and Facilities. The board will look at the draft and form opinions for the next meeting.

Rock Hill Reads-YCL with RHSP and Early Learning Partnership of Winthrop is offering trainings to help get children ready to read. It teaches 5 skills: talk, sing, read, write, and play. They will offer train the trainer and train the reader sessions. Poet Laureate Participation-The mayor of Rock Hill proposed a selection committee to choose a Poet Laureate for the city. The person selected must reside within the Rock Hill School District and be an advocate for poetry and literacy. The YCL offered to host the webpage for it.

Status of Open Board Seats-applications have been submitted

Annual Performance Review for Director-an Executive Director's Annual Evaluation form from ALA will be completed by each board member and returned to the November meeting.

New Business-There was a request for the library branches to close at 5pm the day before Thanksgiving instead of the usual 8pm. After discussion, board decided that would be fine. The motion was proposed (Bramblett/Dahlin) and passed.

Advocacy-Bramblett would like the advocacy committee to look into the fact that the libraries are funded based on the census information collected every 10 years. That means the \$1.75 per person the state gets is based on 2010 data.

Meeting was adjourned (Goodson/Price).

The next meeting is scheduled for November 8, 1018 at the Lake Wylie branch.