

York County Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes from
October 14, 2021
York Library

The YCL board meeting was called to order by Chair Tamara Osborne. A quorum was determined with the following in attendance: Pam Cato, April Hershey, Tamara Osborne, Chelsea Padgett, Charles Robinson, Teleia White, Anne Witte.

The meeting agenda was approved. (Cato/White)

The minutes of the September 9, 2021 meeting were approved. (Robinson/Hershey)

Board Member Introductions

Board members introduced themselves and spoke briefly about their backgrounds. Newly appointed board members were welcomed. Terry Plumb, president of the Friends of the York County Library, also introduced himself and spoke about the Friends organization.

Director's Reports

- In-person Programs: In-person programs have resumed without any significant issues. Staff are enforcing limits on the number of participants to help with social distancing.
- Annual Survey: The annual public library statistical survey administered by the South Carolina State Library is now open. Once the data is finalized a summary will be shared with the board.
- Main Library Restroom Renovation: A few lingering issues remain with the renovation project for the Main Library restrooms. YCL's building superintendent is working with the contractors and York County staff to ensure that all work is correctly completed.
- Virtual Library Position: YCL will soon be posting a new position for a librarian who will provide strategic direction and support for the Virtual Library. The person in this position will collaborate with existing selectors and the management team to evaluate services and make recommendations for continued growth.
- ABC Mouse At-Home Access: Thanks in part to grant funds from Dollar General the Library was able to offer at-home/remote access to the ABC Mouse online platform which support early literacy and learning.

Patron Behavior Policy Revision

A proposed revision of the patron behavior policy was distributed to the board. This revision has been updated to use more natural language and to reflect current best practices for addressing patron behavior. The draft was presented to board members to review and consider in advance of the next board meeting, at which time a vote will be requested.

New Business

The board discussed the possibility of changing the regular board meeting time from 5pm. Board Chair Tamara Osborne agreed to solicit feedback from board members via email to determine if a majority of members prefer a change in time. The 5pm start time can be challenging due to traffic and individual responsibilities such as work schedules.

A motion was made and carried to adjourn. (White/Padgett)