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J. Robert Jamerson Memorial Library

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Meeting Minutes – Library Board of Trustees

Date: Tuesday, July 15, 2025

Call the Meeting to Order - 4:01 pm

Roll Call of Members

- Mrs. Susan Williams - Appomattox River District - present
- Mrs. Evelyn Ford- Courthouse District – present by phone
- Mr. Brandon Barney - Falling River District - present
- Madeline Abbitt- Piney Mountain District - present
- Ms. Hope Adams - Wreck Island District - present
- Cindy Scheu – Library Director - present

Disposition of minutes

- Motioned to approve BB, seconded by SW

Board Elections

- Evelyn Ford was re-elected as Chairperson.
- Brandon Barney was re-elected as Vice Chairperson.

Report of the Librarian - Cindy Scheu

- Summer Reading Program
 - Has been going strong – have had participants at almost all programs
 - Mini-Art Show has been a hit – we have many entries, judging is occurring at the moment, including a “people’s choice”
 - Upcoming Programs: Dance Demo and Theater Workshop along with the story, craft activity times and movies.
 - Squirm the bookworm has had a few issues but people seem to have stopped taking rocks from him now.
- Outreach Opportunities
 - Town of Appomattox Centennial Celebration – Kathy & Finn
 - James River Batteaux & Banjos – Cindy and Kathy
 - Appomattox for Equality Juneteeth – Finn and MaKayla
- MaKayla and Kathy have started their new positions.
 - MaKayla has already started planning programming for September and October.
 - She also has a meeting with the new Superintendent on Thursday to discuss library outreach in the schools.

- Kathy has already applied for one grant (Flight Path) and is in the process of applying for another that is due this week (Books Unbanned). Both are smaller grants but they offer help with programming within the library.
- Weeding Project
 - We have moved to weeding Large Print Fiction and Young Adult Fiction
 - Next will be Adult Non-Fiction
 - Board books and Children's DVDs have been flipped and board books have been rearranged a bit to pull out holiday books into their own bin
- Harwood Training
 - Have been selected for the second part of the Harwood Institute Training, will start in September
 - Rich Harwood will be coming to our library August 21st for a staff training and a session for the Library Board, Board of Supervisors and Town Council. The Session will begin at 11:00 AM, please try to be there as it will be a conversation about how to empower our community.
- PEATC – please let people know that a representative from PEATC is at the library the first Tuesday of each month, she is here to help with education plans. I have included her card in your packet, please pass it to someone who may need it.
- GED – We no longer have GED representation at the library due to cuts in their funding.
- Upcoming Events
 - Retro Movie Night – July 17, Jaws
 - Dance Demo – July 18 1-3 pm Abbitt Park
 - Shark Week – July 20-26 – sign up for the giveaways
 - End of Summer Party – July 29 11:00 am – 2:00 pm
 - PEATC – Aug 5, 3p-5p
 - Creative Outlet Class – Aug. 9, 11 am – 1 pm, Oil Pastel Tree of Life
 - Hillcat's Game – Aug 17, 2:00 pm
 - Alzheimer's Association Presentation – Aug 19, 3:00 PM
 - Wolfswood Faire – August 23, 1:00 pm – 7:00 pm

New Business

Adjournment of the regular Library Board meeting by the Chairperson. 4:40 pm

The next meeting will take place on September 16, 2025, starting at 4:00pm.

If anyone wishes to add to something to the agenda please contact Cindy Scheu at the Library, 434.352.5340 or email her at director@jrjml.org.