

**GREENVILLE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of the Regular Meeting**

September 25, 2023

Present: Mr. Brian Aufmuth, Mr. Kenneth Baxter, Dr. Gene Becker, Mrs. Elizabeth Collins, Mr. James Hoard, Mr. Tommy Hughes, Mrs. Marcia Moston, Mrs. Kristen Odom, Mr. Bill Pinkston, Mr. Joe Poore, and Mr. S. Allan Hill, presiding.

Administrative Managers Present: Don Allen, Accounting Manager; Karen Allen, Youth Services Manager; Greg Hester, Operations Manager; Brian Morrison, Access and Discovery Director; Beverly James, Executive Director; and Jill Cornwell, Administrative Projects Manager, and acting as Recording Secretary.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Hill called the meeting to order at 12:02p. He acknowledged that Mrs. Collins and Mrs. Odom were attending via conference call.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hill called for the approval of the minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting, August 28, 2023. Mr. Poore moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Baxter seconded. Motion carried.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Poore stated that the motion that was made and carried at the previous Board of Trustees meeting concerning the Library Design Development Budget for the Blue Ridge Branch Library included a rounded project number. He indicated that the budget for the project had not changed, but he would be offering a new motion so that the record and action are clear on the intent and reflect the precise amount that was approved by the Buildings and Grounds Committee. He moved to approve an increase to the proposed Blue Ridge Branch Library Design Development Budget by \$2,220,147, which includes \$30,000 for Additional Services related to the value engineering of the Schematic Design. All were in favor and the motion carried.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

2024 Holiday/Closing Schedule

Ms. James stated that she had two requests for the Board to consider. The first request was to consider the *2024 Holiday/Closing Schedule*. Mr. Hoard moved to approve the schedule as presented. Mr. Hughes seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

State Aid Agreement and Library Budget Form FY24

Ms. James' second request was for the Board to consider the *State Aid Agreement and Library Budget Form FY24*. Mr. Hill added that annually the State Library requires that the Library System's approved operating budget be presented within several pre-defined categories, including how the amount of State Aid to be received by the Library System is allocated among the categories. He entertained a motion to approve the completed *State Aid Agreement and Library Budget Form FY24*. Mr. Baxter moved to approve the form as presented. Mr. Aufmuth seconded. All were in favor and the *State Aid Agreement and Library Budget Form FY24* was signed and certified in the presence of a quorum.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Hill announced that several people had been asking about the Library System's Display Policy. He read aloud the action taken at the June, 26th Board of Trustees Meeting concerning materials displays as follows: "...all displays, other than displays of new materials, are to be removed within a week, and no new displays may be mounted for 90 days or until further notice." Mr. Hill stated that there had been an unforeseen delay due to availability of members on the Operations Committee in September, but that an Operations Committee Meeting was scheduled for October 13.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

APPEARANCES

Mr. Hill announced that four speakers had signed up to appear before the Board. He reminded all in attendance that each speaker would be given three minutes to speak, and that he would time them and notify them when they reached three minutes. He called on the following individuals:

Name	Purpose of Appearance
Greg Somers	"Library culture"
James Sharkey	"Kids Books"
Claire Walsh	"Kids Books"
Tyler Prescott	"Display Policy"

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hill asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Hoard so moved. Mr. Baxter seconded. Mr. Hill adjourned the meeting at 12:24p.

S. Allan Hill
Chair, Board of Trustees

Beverly James
Executive Director

Jill Cornwell
Recording Secretary