



## Minutes

### Oconee County Public Library Board of Trustees meeting

Tuesday, Sept 28, 2021, 5:30 p.m.

County Council Chambers, 415 S Pine Street, Walhalla, SC

Members present: Allison Addison, Paul Holcombe, Liz Kuemmerer, Nivia Miranda, Monica Alles White

Absent: Shelby Henderson, Nick McKinney, Cliff Powell, Diane Smathers

Guests: Amaris Gibson, Empower Oconee; Lorilei Swanson, Carolina Family Engagement Center

Press: None

Staff: Blair Hinson, Library Director

I. Call to Order at 5:30 p.m.

II. Approval of minutes: meeting of July 27, 2021: motion by M. Alles White, second by L. Kuemmerer, approved.

III. Public Comment: Limited to 4 minutes per person, 30 minutes in total. If you would like to have a comment entered into the record and cannot attend, please email [bhinson@oconeesc.com](mailto:bhinson@oconeesc.com) or call 864-364-5705.

Provided—comments by Lorilei Swanson of the CFEC.

IV. Friends' Report: Director gave brief summary of activities for July and August, 2021.

V. Committee Reports (suspended pending new assignments)

A. Finance; None

B. Policy/Personnel; none

C. Building and Grounds; none

D. Community Relations; none

VI. Chairman's Report: Chair offered thanks to the Walhalla Performing Arts Center for their assistance with 2021 Summer Reading Program; highlighted some of the staffing issues at the library; and mentioned the upcoming Volunteer Appreciation event in Walhalla

VII. Director's Report: Mentioned recent pay increase for PT staff; progress on the new service desk in Walhalla and new carpet in Salem Branch

Library Board-Allison Addison, Shelby Henderson, Paul Holcombe, Liz Kuemmerer, Nick McKinney, Nivia Miranda, Clifton Powell, Diane Smathers, Monica Alles White

## VIII. Old Business

A. Review and update Board by-laws and committee designations/assignments: Board decided to postpone review until members had read and digested final changes; motion to postpone made by L. Kuemmerer, seconded by N. Miranda. Motion approved. Committee assignments were also briefly discussed; and a motion was made to wait until by-law review was completed; M. Alles White made the motion, seconded by N. Miranda. Motion approved.

B. Review Empower Oconee activities; guest speaker Amaris Gibson from Empower Oconee: gave brief overview of partnership opportunities available to work with library. No action taken.

## IX. New Business

A. Update Board on vaccination clinic: Director reported 39 vaccines delivered in first clinic, and 38 in second. No action taken.

B. Discuss story walk in Walhalla and other collaborative opportunities: no action taken.

## Executive Session

[upon reconvening the Board may take a Vote and/or take Action on matters brought up for discussion in Executive Session, if required]

For the following purposes, as allowed for in § 30-4-70(a) (1) of the South Carolina Code of Laws:

None scheduled.

X. Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by L. Kuemmerer, and seconded by M. Alles White. Motion approved; adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Reported by Blair Hinson, staff liaison