

# May 2025 Meeting Minutes

## PRESENT:

Susan Thacker -	Middle River Representative (Chair)
Tonaly Pennington	Riverheads Representative (Vice Chair)
Scott Alleman	Wayne Representative
Carolyn Coop	Beverley Manor Representative
Rebecca Lamb	South River Representative
Linda Mohler	North River Representative
Kathleen Cavender, Friends of the Augusta County Library Foundation	

## ABSENT:

Alex Davis	Pasteurs Representative
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VIRGINIA: At a Regular Meeting of the Augusta County Library Board held at the Craigsville Library, Craigsville, Virginia on May 22, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. and in the 248th year of the Commonwealth. . . .

## Call to Order

The board meeting was held in person.

Susan Thacker called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

## Minutes

The minutes from the March 2025 meeting were discussed.

A motion was made by Scott Alleman to approve the minutes from the March 2025 meeting as presented. Rebecca Lamb seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

## Friends of the Augusta County Library Foundation

Kathleen Cavender presented the following information

- Membership drive held during the week of National Library Week

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- Spread the membership across various locations
- FACLF board took a United for Libraries training together and plan on meeting monthly to discuss and plan various activities and fundraising actions
- Discussion around volunteer hours always being during the day and how that is not accessible for all folks, and how to provide hours during the nights and weekends.
- The Gardening committee is looking for new leadership as the current leads are interested in taking a step back
- Discussed the possibility of funding an architect to conduct a space study of the basement area to provide recommendations for flexible meeting space
  - Rebecca mentioned that there are matching grants available to provide this kind of work.

### **Director's Report**

The director's report was circulated in the board packet before the meeting. Dr. Brown reiterated the following information:

- Budget update
  - Most everything we requested was approved including the ADA-compliant website revamp and additional funding for cleaning services at the Fishersville Library
- Will be embarking on an IT infrastructure project to secure our network. Funds will be taken from our capital depreciation account and reimbursed from our Erate reimbursement.

### **Old Business**

#### ***IMLS Updates***

- The Library of Virginia (LVA) has received its full federal allocation for Fiscal Year 2025, ending September 30, 2025.
- For Fiscal Year 2026, LVA has been awarded 50% of its IMLS/LSTA grant funds, with assurances that the remaining 50% will be received soon
- LVA's federal funding for FY2025 is secure, and FY2026 funding appears promising.

## **New Business**

### ***Change July Meeting Date***

Linda Mohler requested that the meeting date for the July Board meeting be changed due to a scheduling conflict. After discussion ensued, the Board decided to keep the original July date.

## **Next Meeting**

The Board confirmed that the next meeting would be held on Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 6:00PM at the Deerfield Library.

## **Adjournment**

With there being no further business, Rebecca Lamb made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Scott Alleman seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:00 PM.

Secretary