

Oconee County Library Board Meeting
Minutes for April 11, 2022
4:30 p.m.
Oconee Library

The following members of the Board were present: Chairman Mark Campbell, Vice-Chairperson Rubielen Norris, Secretary Laura French, Fred Lutz, Mike Eddy, Mandy Marable, Matt Stephens, Angela Moss-Hill, Daphne Norton, Jonathan Kirkpatrick, Rachel Watson, Oconee County Library and Athens Regional Library System members were also present, including James Mitchell, Valerie Bell, Toby Mayfield, and Donna Butler.

Chairman Campbell asked the members to review the January 10, 2022, minutes. Upon motion by Mr. Lutz, seconded by Ms. Norris, the minutes were approved.

There were no public comments at the meeting.

The Branch Manager's report was provided by Mr. Mitchell. He advised the Board that all library programming is up and running. The April 2022 Librarian's Report to Library Board was included in the Board packet.

The Bogart Library is excited to announce that the City of Bogart has provided AARPA funds for the purchase of new computers.

The Watkinsville Library has resumed Story Time, to the delight of library patrons.

Summer Reading Programs will kick off on May 14, 2022, with special events at both Oconee County libraries.

The Oconee Library Friends held its book sale at the Oconee Civic Center. As always, the sale was a great success.

Ms. Mayfield provided her report to the Board. She continues to visit branches twice per month. Training on new technology and acquisitions Georgia CARES will visit all branches in the next several months. Ms. Janet Smiley is the new children's coordinator. Ms. Mayfield attended legislative day, and shared her wonderful experience.

Ms. Bell provided her report to the Board. The FY2023 budget is on the governor's desk. The FY2023 budget includes \$2.9 million and a \$.60 per capita budget for the Oconee Library System. The Regional System's strategic planning committee has held its first meeting.

Chairman Campbell provided an update to the Board regarding the new Watkinsville Library at Wire Park. The Board reviewed the schematics, asked questions about access and layout. The Board also discussed the new state funding, and budgetary constraints created by market conditions.

Upon motion made by Mr. Eddy, seconded by Ms. French, a vote on any Constitution or Bylaw change was tabled by unanimous vote of the Board.

The Board reviewed the tentative 2022-2023 budget. Upon motion by Mr. Lutz, seconded by Mr. Kilpatrick, the Board unanimously approved the tentative budget.

The next Board meeting will be held on Monday July 11, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. at the Oconee Library. Chairman Campbell encouraged everyone's attendance due to the quorum requirement and need to finalize the budget.

There being no further business, upon motion by Ms. Norris, seconded by Mr. Stephens, the meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Mark Campbell, Chairman

Laura French, Secretary