

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

March 23, 2026

Present: Dr. Gene Beckner, Mrs. Stephanie Cunningham (via conference phone), Mr. James Hoard, Mr. Tommy Hughes, Mr. Joe Poore (via conference phone), Mrs. Elizabeth Collins, Mrs. Marcia Moston, Mr. Samuel Chaney, Mr. Greg Somers, Mr. Jack Logan, and Mr. S. Allan Hill, presiding.

Library System Managers Present: Don Allen, Finance Manager; Ann Bishop, Human Resources Manager; Jennifer Pinkerman, Youth Services Manager; Rick Silvers, Facilities Maintenance Manager; Ray Arnett, Branch Library Services Manager; Brian Morrison, Adult Services Director; Jerry Osteen, Information Technology Manager; Beverly James, Executive Director; and Alexis Roy, Administrative Projects Manager, acting as Recording Secretary.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Hill called the meeting to order at 12:03p.

INVOCATION

Mr. Somers gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were presented for approval. An amendment was noted to reflect that Ann Bishop, HR Manager, had been erroneously omitted from the list of managers present and was in attendance at that meeting. Mr. Hill moved to approve the amended minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting, February 23, 2026. Ms. Hughes so moved. Mrs. Collins seconded. With all in favor, the motion carried.

LIBRARY MATERIALS COMMITTEE REPORT

Mrs. Marcia Moston, Library Materials Committee Chair, reported on the matters discussed at the committee's most recent meeting. No action was taken by the committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. James Hoard, Finance Committee Chair, presented the draft budget recommended by the Finance Committee. The Board voted unanimously to approve the Library System's FY27 operating budget as recommended.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mrs. James shared that the Local Author Expo held March 13-14th at the Hughes Main Library was a success, drawing 125 attendees and featuring 26 participating authors. Upcoming programs include Revolutionary Perspectives through SC Humanities:

- Elizabeth Chew is offering two talks: "Art and the American Revolution" at the Main Library and "South Carolina History is American History" at the Five Forks Branch Library.
- Joshua Shumak is presenting "Revolutionary War Stories in South Carolina History" at the Greer Branch Library.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS

Capital Fund Millage Discussion

Mr. Poore raised a question regarding a potential reduction to the Library System's capital fund millage of one-tenth of a mil. The matter was referred to the Library System's Finance Committee for review. The Library Director was asked to schedule a Finance Committee meeting as soon as possible to evaluate the potential and bring a recommendation to the Library Board for consideration as part of the Library System's FY27 millage request.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hill called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Chaney so moved. Mr. Hoard seconded and the meeting adjourned at 12:20p.

S. Allan Hill
Chair, Board of Trustees

Beverly James
Executive Director

Alexis Roy
Recording Secretary