

# **Board of Trustees of Charlotte County Library**

## **Board Meeting Minutes**

June 4, 2025

The Board of Trustees of the Charlotte County Library met on Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at 3:45 in the Bruce Building. Present were Eleanor Williams (Chair), Martha Brogdon, Ree Cathey, Barbara Hamlett, Teresa Osborne, and Maggie Allbee (Librarian). Winnie Morris and Jean Elliott were absent.

The minutes for the May meeting and the May financials were approved.

There were no updates for Keysville.

The sink at Wylliesburg has been fixed, and the air conditioning is now working very well. The lights and bush still need attention.

Maggie told the board that Saturdays are not catching on at the Phenix Branch Library. Due to low patron interest, the board said Phenix does not have to provide Saturday hours until the fall. Otherwise, there were no updates for Phenix.

Maggie presented the board with the summer reading programs scheduled for the summer. Since the theme is “Color Our World”, most of the programming will emphasize art, crafts, and creativity. There will be several storytimes (two at each location), plus a Sidewalk Chalk event for the opening event and a Color Run for the closing event. Maggie has also scheduled a concert in the garden. Jeremy Elder will be playing on June 13<sup>th</sup>. For the first time, there will also be a few craft programs for teens: bracelet-making, decoupaged keepsake boxes, and book page art. Prizes will include Kindles and gift certificates to relevant local businesses.

Maggie told the board about the two teenagers she hired for the summer. They are sisters and live up the street from the library. They will be helping with event preparation, shelving books, helping with book displays, and collection maintenance.

Maggie spoke with Patrick Andrews about removing the carpet, dropped ceiling, and plaster repairs needed at Bruce. He recommended a few contractors who might be available to help with that.

Maggie is working hard to spend out the rest of this year’s budget in time for the cutoff date of June 30<sup>th</sup>.

The board continued to discuss rug options for the Genealogy Room renovation.

Due to the Board Retreat taking place so late in June, there will be no July meeting. The next board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 6, 2025 at 3:45pm in the Bruce Building.