

Board of Trustees of Charlotte County Library

Board Meeting Minutes

March 5, 2025

The Board of Trustees of the Charlotte County Library met on Wednesday, March 5, 2025, at 3:45 in the Bruce Building. Present were Eleanor Williams (Chair), Ree Cathey, Barbara Hamlett, Jean Elliott, Winnie Morris, Teresa Osborne, and Maggie Allbee (Librarian). Martha Brogdon was absent.

The minutes for February were approved, as long as the correct dates were edited by Maggie. The financial reports for February were approved.

After consideration, the board decided to remove the carpet before beginning the painting, in case the floors need to be refinished. Maggie will talk to County Maintenance about removing carpet in the Genealogy Room and the main hall and staircase.

At the Keysville Branch Library, the Town of Keysville removed the door between the main room and the back room, enabling easier access to some shelves in the hallway. The lights are all working for the time being – the new bulbs are brighter and last longer. The handicap ramp needs a sign directing people to it. Children's section is getting weeded.

Wylliesburg Branch Library is doing well, with a good turnout for storytime. The front porch lights still need replacing, and the skunks are an ongoing issue. Mothballs will be implemented to keep them away from the building.

Phenix Branch Library has no updates, other than Ann needs to reduce her hours. She will no longer be working on Tuesdays and would like to stop working on Saturdays. Maggie says all employees have to work Saturdays, so she and Ann will have to figure something out.

The Main Library is slowly working towards having a Teen Room upstairs at Bruce. Maggie still needs to buy rugs for the Biography Room in Hoy and for Little Bruce. The floor in Little Bruce needs cleaning before the rug can be placed. Any rug will not be put down until after the book sale and Easter Egg Hunt.

There was further discussion about the renovations to the Genealogy Room. The board would like the county to remove the carpet and drop ceiling in the front hall before the painting begins. Maggie will talk to Patrick Andrews. The board will visit Green Front and Farmville Wholesale Lighting for rugs, a table and chairs, and lighting for the room. Once a rug is selected, a paint color will be chosen.

The next board meeting will be Wednesday, April 2nd at 3:45 in the Bruce Building. The meeting was adjourned.