

Friends of South Carolina Libraries (FLSCL)  
Board Meeting  
October 6, 2023

Present: Jonathan Haupt, Libby Law, Sarah McMaster, Terry Plumb, Helen Ann Rawlinson, and Marlena White.

Marlena called the meeting to order, Areas for discussion were identified:

**Elections:**

The terms of the Vice President and Secretary expire in December 2023 (odd years). The terms of new officers will end in December 2025. Jonathan Haupt was nominated to serve as Vice President and Prudence Taylor submitted was nominated for Secretary.

Kitty Spires has submitted her resignation as President effective the end of December. Helen Ann Rawlinson was nominated to complete the unexpired term ending in December 2024

A ballot of nominees will be sent to the general membership be returned within 14 days. The results shall be submitted to the Executive Committee by November 30 and results announced to the membership by December 15.

**New Members:**

Marena announced that there are 3 new members of the Board: Maureen Lawrence (Friends of the Aiken County Library, Norma Rockwell (Friends of the Libraries, Barnwell County), and Debbie Wickberg, (Friends of the Green See Floyds Library). They have received: Copies of the Bylaws, Copies of several Board minutes, links to the FOSCL website and social media, Dates of upcoming meetings ---- anything else. Libby, Helen Ann, and Libby volunteered to make follow-up contact. Marlena will send each contact information and any issues/information that need to be addressed. (history/background of FOSCL, information about "self", information about the new member/assess their interest.

**SC State Library's withdrawal from the American Library Association:**

The impact of this on FOSCL was discussed. The State Library continues to support the foundational goals of ALA which include the Freedom to Read, Intellectual Freedom, and ALA's Code of Ethics and associated principles. Marlena will confirm the impact on statewide membership in United for Libraries.

**Other:**

FOSCL Annual Conference: Interest was expressed in applying for a grant from the SC Humanities Council. All agreed this is a good idea.

SCLA: October 17. Marlena will be unable to attend. Kitty Spires will welcome those attending and introduce the Panel of SC Poet Laureates. Sarah volunteered to step in if Kitty was unable to attend for any reason. Jennifer Boykin, Columbia's Poet Laureate, will facilitate the presentation.

Upcoming meetings:

October 11, 2023: 4:00 pm Zoom meeting with Panel for the FOSCL's program at SCLA

October 17, 2023 : 11:30 Board Meeting, Liberty Tavern, Columbia, SC (Agenda to include the upcoming program at SCLA and plans for 2024 membership drive.

2:30 FOSCL Program at SCLS (Columbia Convention Center)

November 17, 2023: Regional Meeting, South Carolina State Library  
Topic: Grants resource, Foundation Collection

March 23, 2023: FOSCL Annual Conference, Richland Library, Columbia, SC

January 12, 2024 Regional Meeting, Spartanburg County Library