

## LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

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### Sussex County Library Advisory Board (LAB) Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 20, 2016

10am - Noon

Sussex County Administration West Complex: Large Conference Room

Call to Order & Adoption of Wednesday, July 20, 2016 Agenda [The meeting began at 10:04am.](#)

In attendance: LAB members - Emory West, Rosemary Hardiman, COL representative - John Monahan, SCDOL staff - Kathy Graybeal

Approve Wednesday, May 18, 2016 Minutes [As there was no quorum, this was an information-exchange meeting. Emory West recommended that all discussion here be approved at the August meeting.](#)

Sussex County Libraries

[A FOND FAIRWELL TO OUR DEPARTING DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE, EMORY WEST! Emory's recommendation is for each of the libraries to meet with their local representatives. This needs to be an on-going routine.](#)

[WELCOME TO OUR NEW DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE, MARY SCHWANKY! Mary brings much experience working with non-profit public service agencies to the table.](#)

[Hurray for Lewes Library! Grand Opening Saturday, June 25, 2016. Governor Markell, Lewes Mayor Ted Becker and State Librarian, Annie Norman each took a turn praising the new facility and the strong local efforts that made it all happen. Dennis Forney, Campaign Chair, reminded all that "this is what happens in Lewes, especially where our library is concerned." Chief Deputy Secretary of State, Rick Geisenberger was in the audience. He and his daughter were going for a bike ride on the new trailhead following the festivities.](#)

Discuss:

- LAB officers [Rebecca Calio was unanimously nominated to be President](#)
- LAB meeting schedules
- FY 2017 Budget [4 Independent libraries saw a small increase. 7 saw a decrease. Seaford lost \\$3,908 \(4.81%\) and Rehoboth lost \\$5,726 \(9.24%\). Independent libraries are down 1%. The Sussex County Department of Libraries show an increase in local spend of .5%. Yet, we are losing .52% in funding. We have asked Bob Wetherall with DDL once again for an explanation of this process.](#)
- Stepping Stones learning program: module training/testing update. [All but 2 libraries have completed the Year One classes for certification.](#)

- Sussex County Staff Development Day - Thursday, September 22nd. [We have seats reserved for LAB members. Shall this serve as our September LAB meeting as in the past?](#)
- Delmar, Selbyville, Millsboro building projects [Delmar received funding from USDA!](#)

DDL/Steering/DE Libraries

Discuss:

- Special Steering Committee – Minutes; transit data; decisions history
- Statewide Professional Development Team

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Share: No meeting until August.

Next meeting date: To be determined in the Sussex County Administration West Complex

Adjourn

**In accordance with 29 Del. C. §10004(e)(2), this Agenda was posted on July 12, 2016 at 11:00am and at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting.**

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