



Hernando County Library Advisory Committee

**Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 13, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Hernando County Library Advisory Committee (LAC) was held on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, at the Spring Hill Library, 9220 Spring Hill Dr., Spring Hill, FL 34608. Alysha Smith, President, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Attendee Name, Title

Alysha Smith, President
Jessica HaHer, Member
Marguerite Wollerton, Member
Monty Floyd, Member
Cynthia Loftis-Culp, Library Services Manager
Helen Bakomihalis, Accounting Clerk III

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion

To approve the agenda as presented

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Marguerite Wollerton

SECONDER: Jessica HaHer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion

To approve the minutes of November 4, 2025, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Jessica HaHer

SECONDER: Monty Floyd

OLD BUSINESS

- Gutter project for EH and SH branches is being addressed
- Addressed festival at the Fairgrounds, spoke about children's activities, and authors present at event.
- FOL will be in attendance
- Several indoor activities scheduled
- Vendors will be in attendance from 10am to 4pm
- Monty brought up discussion to enhance committee to make library stronger and concerns about books not in system

- Alysha suggested fundraising, outreach

Branch Services Update

Cindy provided branch services update.

- Working on budget. Will know more after the budget is submitted. Cindy will share budget news at our next meeting in March
- We have been working with Kimley Horn on our Master Plan
- 3 grants going to the Board: Seeds of Knowledge Grant, Science Across America Grant and FL Humanities Grant

Friends of the Library

FOL is doing very well. They approved all items on the library wish list.

NEW BUSINESS

Sumer Doulk, our Literacy Program Specialist, is doing teens and adult programming, and updating our social media presence

Alysha inquired if LAC position was posted and if position would be filled by next meeting, and suggested we create an alpha list for invocation

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Citizens brought up the following topics:

Diane Liptech: Concerned about pornographic materials being available to children at the libraries and will porn only be available in adult sections.

Julia Thomas: Map with the Gulf of America, we should adapt to calling it by its' new name. Concerned about the Reading Fest, being that there will be local authors with books, and who will be scanning for inappropriate books?

Cindy replied to comments:

There will not be any issue getting someone appointed for new LAC position

The library does not order pornographic materials

We will get large, updated maps

The library has a booth at the festival, the women's club is involved, and not the library

UPCOMING MEETING

The next Library Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. at the East Hernando Library, 6457 Windmere Rd., Brooksville, FL 34602.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:38p.m.