

RESOLUTION NO. 21-33

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO REAUTHORIZE THE CREATION OF THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD, WHICH IS AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND OPERATES AND FUNCTIONS AS A FOCUS GROUP.

WHEREAS, in 1955, the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida (the Board) approved the establishment of a seven member Leon County Public Library Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, the bylaws of the Library Advisory Committee were amended in 1988, which dictated the Committee composition and allowed for the Chairman of the Library Advisory Board to serve as the representative at all Friends of the Library meetings; and

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2000, the Board approved the addition of one non-voting ad hoc member, a representative of the Collins Family, to the Library Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2002, the Board approved the revised Library Advisory Board bylaws allowing for a revised meeting agenda format, aligning with the County's fiscal year, and adding a membership attendance requirement; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution shall repeal the bylaws of the Library Advisory Board, adopted November 12, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes and acknowledges the importance of public involvement and input in County government; and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to reauthorize the Library Advisory Board as it currently functions and operates and clarify that it shall function as a Focus Group in accordance with Board Policy No. 03-15, "Board-Appointed Advisory Committees."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEON COUNTY, that:

1. The Board hereby reauthorizes the Leon County Library Advisory Board, an advisory committee, for the purpose of providing community input and feedback to staff on issues impacting the LeRoy Collins Leon County Public Library.

2. The Library Advisory Board shall function and operate as a Focus Group in accordance with Board Policy No. 03-15, "Board-Appointed Advisory Committees."

3. The Library Advisory Board shall be charged with the responsibility of providing collective input for use by staff in developing staff recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners, on the following:

- a. assessing the library needs of the community;
- b. assisting with the annual and long-range library plan;
- c. providing input on library programs and services;
- d. recommending policy changes and management strategies to better enhance the library services in our community;
- e. assisting with the promotion the community use of the library facilities, programs and services;
- f. reviewing the Patron Request for Review of Library Materials; and
- g. reviewing all submissions for exhibits and displays in accordance with Board Policy.

4. The Library Advisory Board shall have twelve (12) members:

- a. Seats 1-7: seven (7) at-large members, with each Leon County Commissioner appointing one member;
- b. Seat 8: one (1) representative of the Collins family, appointed by the Collins family;
- c. Seat 9: one (1) ex officio member, the President of the Friends of the LeRoy

Collins Leon County Public Library;

- d. Seat 10: one (1) ex officio member, the Director of Florida State University's Florida Center for Reading Research or designee appointed by the Director; and
- e. Seat 11: one (1) ex officio member, the Dean of Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University's College of Education or designee appointed by the Dean; and
- f. Seat 12: one (1) ex officio member, the Developer of Instruction Technology for Leon County Public Schools or designee appointed by the Developer.

5. The terms of the at-large members of the Library Advisory Board shall be for two (2) years, with no member serving more than three (3) full consecutive two-year terms. The representative of the Collins family shall retain the seat until such time that the Collins family chooses another representative. The ex-officio members shall serve as long as they hold that position.

6. The current membership of the Library Advisory Board shall remain the same and said members shall not be required to be reappointed. The current membership shall serve their current terms, and may be reappointed, with no at-large member serving more than three full consecutive terms.

7. The members of the Library Advisory Board shall not be subject to full and public disclosure of financial interests.

8. The bylaws of the Library Advisory Board adopted November 12, 2002 are repealed and superseded by this Resolution and new Rules of Procedure shall be drafted, in accordance with Board Policy No. 03-15, "Board-Appointed Advisory Committees."

9. The Library Advisory Board shall be assisted by staff from the Department of Library Services.

10. The Library Advisory Board shall be dissolved only upon direction of the Board.
11. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

DONE, ADOPTED, AND PASSED by the Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida, this 8th day of June 2021.

LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: 
Rick Minor, Chair
Board of County Commissioners

Date: 6/16/21

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:
Chasity H. O'Steen, County Attorney
Leon County Attorney's Office

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ATTEST:
Gwendolyn Marshall, Clerk of the Court &
Comptroller, Leon County, Florida

By: 
