



**St. Mary's County Board of Library Trustees Meeting
3:00 PM Thursday, February 12, 2026
Leonardtown Library**

The public may attend the meetings but should ask ahead of time if they wish to speak. Email mblackwell@stmalib.org or call 301-304-9048 to request time on the agenda. The public may view the meeting remotely on the Library's YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/c/StMarysCountyLibrary>. If In-person attendees need ADA accommodation, please email mblackwell@stmalib.org or call 301-304-9048.

- I. Call to Order, Establish Quorum
 - a. Sharon Fitzsimmons (Chair), John Johnston (Vice Chair), Judith Gwynn (Treasurer), Bob Donaldson, Charles Stein, Dorothy Waters, Ramona Waul.
- II. Approval of agenda Sharon Fitzsimmons
- III. Approval of January 2026 minutes
- IV. Celebrations:
 - a. Congratulations
 - i. Emma Carroll finished early LATI;
 - b. Hip Hip Hoorays:
 - i. Annie Cross - For exhibiting great customer and leadership skills in handling communication with management and customers on a Saturday when the meeting room at Charlotte Hall was experiencing cold temperatures. Annie called building services to place the work order in immediately and maintained a calm composure when handling the situation.
- V. Treasurer's Report: end of 3rd Qtr FY2026 Next due in April 2026
- VI. SMRLA Report John Johnston
- VII. Director's Report
 - a. Informational
 - i. County Update on the Charlotte Hall Project
 - ii. FY26 Budget
 - iii. What's Going On at SMCL – Library Highlights
 - iv. A funny thing happened on the way to the FY27 budget
 - v. Notice of Intent, State Capital Grant
 - vi. SMCL Trustee (& Library) Insurance Information
 - vii. Library Legislation
 - b. Action Items
 - I. Domestic violence policyGary Whipple
Michael Blackwell
- VIII. President's Report
 - a. Approval of Monthly Expense Ledger: 01/01/2026 – 01/31/2026
 - b. Credit Card Reconciliation
- IX. Old Trustee Business Sharon Fitzsimmons
 - a. *300 Years of Black Cooking* copyright: discussion of giving up copyright
- X. New Trustee Business Sharon Fitzsimmons
 - a. Signing resolution (from earlier)
 - b. Review and Revision of Library Board of Trustee Bylaws

Next Meeting:
Thursday, March 12, 3:00 PM, Charlotte Hall

Dates to remember: March 17 (1:30 pm, Chesapeake Building), County Budget Hearing