

M2019-158

CHAPIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD

3 YEAR TERM

MEMBER	ADDRESS	PHONE#	APPT DATE	EXPIRATION	TERM #
Georgeanne Rice grganne@gmail.com	4805 Burchap Dr. Myrtle Beach, SC 29577	843-450-1711	9/25/2018	3/23/2020	1
Dr. Subhash C. Saxena scsaxen@yahoo.com	4407 Green Bay Trail, MB 29577	843-449-1656	3/11/2014	3/23/2020	2
Susan Hudgins suehudgins@hotmail.com	4700 North Ocean Blvd. Myrtle Beach, SC 29577	843-997-8063 (c) 843-467-2869 (h)	2/14/2017	2/14/2020	1
John R. Hobson johnhobson2009@gmail.com Chairman	7545 Veneto Court Myrtle Beach, SC 29572	843-503-8920	1/12/16	1/8/2022	2
Jill Griffith j.griff@outlook.com	4405 North Ocean Blvd. Myrtle Beach, SC 29577	843-692-7070	9/12/17	9/12/2020	1
Dana Patrick Painter dana@carolinahomesales.net	2000 Hwy 15 MB, SC 29577	448-9919	8/23/16	8/23/22	2
Samuel Bookhart Sam2@sc.rr.com	303 Pine Needle Dr Myrtle Beach, SC 29572	843-467-2979	2/14/2017	2/14/2020	1
Alicia E. Thompson athompson@mcnair.net	P.O. Box 336 Myrtle Beach, SC 29579	843-444-1107 (work)	2/23/2016	2/28/2022	2
Richard L. Patelunas rickpatelunas@hotmail.com	1420 Thames Ct, MB 29577	839-4818	2/13/2018	3/23/2021	2

NOTE: City Residents are highlighted in blue.

Georgeanne Rice has resigned. We have two resumes on file to fulfil this term, expiring March 23, 2020. Jennifer Fickenworth (City Resident) and Sara Sobota (City Resident).

Jennifer Stanford

From: Jennifer Nassar
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2019 10:06 AM
To: Jennifer Stanford
Subject: Fw: Library Advisory

Ms. Rice's resignation email below.

Thanks,
Jen



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Jennifer Nassar

Library Director

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m:
e: jnassar@cityofmyrtlebeach.com

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----- Forwarded message -----

From: Georgeanne Rice <grganne@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Oct 29, 2019 at 10:16 AM
Subject: Re: Library Advisory
To: John Hobson <johnhobson2009@gmail.com>
Cc: Jennifer Nassar <nassar@chapinlibrary.org>

After serious consideration I have decided to resign my position on the library advisory board. I had hoped that my business responsibilities would not conflict with this board, but it seems that they do. I am not in a position to retire, so I do have to give my businesses my priority. I wanted to let you know prior to the

meeting, so that you could begin to find a replacement. I will continue to support the library and any future developments.

Thank you

Georgeanne Rice

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Jennifer Stanford

From: Jennifer Nassar
Sent: Saturday, October 5, 2019 9:16 AM
To: Jennifer Stanford
Subject: Re: Library Board Candidates

Hi Jen,

The Library Advisory Board has selected Jennifer Fickenworth for the vacancy.

Thanks!



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From: Jennifer Stanford
Sent: Friday, September 27, 2019 8:27:47 AM
To: Jennifer Nassar
Subject: RE: Library Board Candidates

OK, I will push to the 10/22 agenda. Thank you!

Jennifer Stanford

From: JJ Fickenworth <jjfickenworth@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 5, 2018 12:33 PM
To: Jennifer Stanford
Subject: Volunteer Letter of Interest for Library Board - Fickenworth
Attachments: RESUME 2018 Librarian_Fickenworth.pdf

December 5, 2018

Ms. Jennifer Stanford, City Clerk
City of Myrtle Beach
P.O. Box 2468
Myrtle Beach, SC 29578

Dear Ms. Stanford,

I saw on the City of Myrtle Beach's Facebook page that there are several openings on Boards, Commissions, and Committees at this time. I am writing to you today to express my interest in serving on the Library Board.

My background uniquely qualifies me for this position. First, I have served in multiple volunteer organizations from the time I was in elementary school until present. This includes serving as a volunteer at the Greenville County Library System for a year and a half prior to moving to Myrtle Beach. As an adult volunteer, I understand that serving requires time and I am excited to serve. Second, I have worked in libraries for over 15 years, including academic, public, K-12, special, and military libraries. I have my Masters in Library and Information Science degree from the University of Milwaukee and am currently working at Horry-Georgetown Technical College Library as their Electronic Resources Librarian. Third, I recently had the opportunity to participate in the Spring course of MyBeach 101 Citizens Academy, where I learned about the City's Boards, Commissions, and Committees. I was honored to be voted class spokesperson and present a speech to City Council at graduation.

I have attached my resume, which contains additional information on my experience and skills. Please call me at 864-483-5474 or email me at jjfickenworth@gmail.com if there are further questions. Volunteering and working in libraries is a passion of mine. I look forward to hearing from you so that we can discuss this opportunity further.

Sincerely,

JJ

Jennifer J. ("JJ") Fickenworth
1388 Culbertson Ave
Myrtle Beach SC 29577

JJ FICKENWORTH

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Qualifications Summary:

- ♦ Over 15 years diverse library experience working in various settings: academic, public, school, special, and military libraries.
- ♦ Extensive customer service background presented in a professional, proficient, and positive manner to efficiently meet customer needs.
- ♦ Recognized instructor, trainer, and supervisor with 15 plus years experience in varying subject matter in one-on-one situations up to groups in excess of 100 personnel.
- ♦ Versatile self-starter consistently selected for challenging assignments where personal leadership and technical know-how were essential ingredients for success. Adept at scheduling, organizing, coordinating, and meticulous planning.

Education & Training:

MyBeach 101 Citizens Academy, Spring 2018. City of Myrtle Beach, Neighborhood Services Department, Myrtle Beach SC.

Citizens Police Academy, Fall 2017. City of Myrtle Beach, Police Department, Myrtle Beach SC.

BioMedical Informatics MBL/NLM Course Fellow. Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole MA.
Sponsored by the National Library of Medicine. Certificate, Fall Course, 2011.

Master of Library & Information Science. University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, Milwaukee WI.
Member of International Library & Information Studies (Beta Phi Mu) Honor Society.

Bachelor of Arts, Dual Majors in English and Religion. St. Olaf College, Northfield MN.
Course work included: Creative Writing, Expository Writing, and Journalistic Writing.

Work & Volunteer History:

Electronic Resources Librarian Horry-Georgetown Technical College, Myrtle Beach SC	2016 – Present
Professional Development Officer Civil Air Patrol, official Auxiliary of the United States Air Force	1986 – 2016
Registration Representative Bon Secours Health System, St. Francis Hospital, Greenville SC	2015 – 2016
Stylist David's Bridal, Greenville SC	2014 – 2015
Library Volunteer Greenville County Library System, Greenville SC	2014 – 2015
Client Support Specialist & Field Coordinator Kelly Services, Greenville SC	2013 – 2014
Library/Info Res Svcs Spec Supervisor Senior (Librarian) St. Cloud State University, Learning Resources Services, St. Cloud MN	2012 – 2013
Information Specialist (Librarian) The University of North Dakota, Center for Rural Health, Grand Forks ND	2010 – 2012
Public Services Supervisor-Reference The University of Winnipeg, Library, Winnipeg MB	2008 – 2009
Library Technician US Army NAF-MWR Libraries, Sgt Yano Library, Schofield Barracks HI	2005 – 2008
Technical Services Clerk & Circulation Clerk Houston County Public Library System, Warner Robins GA	2002 – 2005

Professional Experience:

Leadership / Supervisory / Instruction:

- ◆ Instructed, supervised, and evaluated youth and adults in 8 organizations on various subjects from algebra and first aid to book mending and library procedures, resulting in 15 plus years experience.
- ◆ Established and maintained cooperative relationships with library users, members of the community, military, national corporate officials, students, and university personnel.
- ◆ Supervised a university Access Services unit with 7 full-time staff and 40-50 student workers. Effectively communicated priorities. Directed, hired, trained, disciplined, maintained schedules, and provided financial management of unit.
- ◆ Strategically planned, marketed, and managed a home business with over 100 customers.
- ◆ Managed an academic department's \$44,000 annual budget.
- ◆ Conceptualized and developed a Library Technical Services continuity binder where no example existed, leading to effective cross training and supervision of library assistants.
- ◆ Nationally recognized for leadership with Civil Air Patrol's highest youth program award, the General Carl A. Spaatz Award, earned by less than 1% of youth members since its inception in 1964. Recognition continued in adult program, culminating in organization's highest award, the Gill Robb Wilson Award.

Communications / Planning / Organizing:

- ◆ Planned and staffed weekly, monthly, and quarterly meeting schedules to incorporate and accomplish unit strategic goals.
- ◆ Initiated communication with and collected information from 3 branch libraries to annually update and maintain periodical/serials records in the Georgia Libraries Journal List (GOLD).
- ◆ Resolved patron complaints on the floor in a positive manner.
- ◆ Developed procedures to process incoming and outgoing interlibrary loan materials for a county public library system connected to a lending network of 249 libraries in 123 counties.
- ◆ Edited, co-authored, published, and distributed newsletters for 2 companies.
- ◆ Strong time and project management skills. Organized, budgeted, and led successful 3-day conference and banquet for 300 people with a staff of 25 to include recruiting instructors at no cost, lowering participant registration fees.

Library / Clerical Skills:

- ◆ Technologically adept in using computers, common search engines, Adobe products, and MS Office.
- ◆ Maintained accurate reports of library technical services, circulation, and reference activities.
- ◆ Taught college student about information literacy and how to conduct effective research.
- ◆ Performed reference services for public, academic, and school libraries.
- ◆ Catalogued, prepared, and processed materials for circulation using MARC and AACR2 standards.
- ◆ Assisted staff and patrons to locate and check out materials and use internet, copier, scanner, microform, and fax machines.
- ◆ Shelved materials using Dewey Decimal and Library of Congress classification systems.
- ◆ Monitored patron usage of library facilities and assured their conformance with and understanding of established policies and procedures.
- ◆ Solely responsible for taking a 2-year book mending backlog to being up-to-date within 5 weeks. Organized and mended over 2,300 library materials in 15 months, saving the library an estimated \$15,015 of library bindery costs.

Jennifer Stanford

From: ssobota@sc.rr.com
Sent: Monday, January 21, 2019 10:15 AM
To: Jennifer Stanford
Subject: Chapin Memorial Library Board application
Attachments: chapin library board letter.docx; Sobota resume 2019.doc

Good morning Ms. Stanford,

I have attached a letter of interest and a resume to support my application for the open position on the Chapin Memorial Library Board for the City of Myrtle Beach.

Please let me know if you need further information.

Thank you,

Sara Sobota
843-446-1877

Jan. 21, 2019

Dear Appointment Committee,

I am interested in serving on the Chapin Memorial Library Board for the City of Myrtle Beach. I have been a resident of Myrtle Beach and an enthusiastic patron of the library for 25 years. I have been involved in children's activities, film series, and summer programs, and I am interested in supporting the continued growth and development of the institution as it enters a new chapter.

In addition to being a resident, library advocate and avid reader, I am also an educator and a writer. I am a senior lecturer in the Department of English and publications editor for the Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts at Coastal Carolina University. In that role, I teach composition and business communication in addition to writing and editing publications that promote the students, faculty and programs of the Edwards College. I have been on the faculty at CCU for 14 years and have experienced the impacts of its continued growth not only on the Conway community but on the Myrtle Beach community as well. In addition, I have been a contributor to *Grand Strand Magazine* for nearly two decades.

I have three boys that have grown up visiting Chapin Library and attending its programs. They have, and still do, attend Myrtle Beach area schools. My husband works in the area restaurant industry, and we reside on the north end of the city.

In short, I am a committed and dedicated member of the community, and I'm interested in participating in the future of Chapin Library. I hope you find my background and interests fit your needs.

Sincerely,
Sara Sobota

Sara Sobota
7 Chapin Circle
Myrtle Beach, SC 29572
ssobota@coastal.edu

- Experience Publications Editor
Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts
Coastal Carolina University
May 2016 to present
Responsible for internal and external communication, news reporting, and public relations for the Edwards College. Tasks include generating stories for multiple outlets including the media, the university website, social media sites, and the Edwards College alumni magazine, *Tapestry*; collaborating with University Communications on target outlets for various stories and strategies to maximize coverage; writing and editing the Cultural Arts Calendar; editing *Tapestry*; writing copy for and editing college-level brochures, programs and professional documents; monitoring social media coverage; and serving on Publications Group to complete special projects for the college.
- Contributor, *Grand Strand Magazine*
March 2008-present
Responsible for writing bi-monthly feature articles for regional lifestyle magazine.
- Senior Lecturer of English
Coastal Carolina University
August 2015 to present
Responsible for teaching composition, literature, and business communication course each semester as well as engaging in committee work and scholarship as appropriate to enhance and expand classroom expertise.
- Lecturer of English
Coastal Carolina University
August 2008-August 2015
Responsible for teaching five sections of composition, literature, or business communication courses, in online or traditional class formats, per semester. Duties also include serving on departmental committees and participating actively in departmental affairs.
- Blogger, *The Huffington Post*
May 2014-present
Responsible for contributing non-fiction reflective pieces to online news and commentary website.

Instructor of English
Southern New Hampshire University Online
March 2001-present
Responsible for teaching English courses online including first-year composition, American literature, and linguistics.

Associate Editor
GS Magazine
March 2004-March 2008
Responsible for writing cover and feature stories, editing all copy, and consulting with editor on layout, photography, graphic design, ad copy and proofing.

Adjunct Instructor of English
Coastal Carolina University
August 2005-December 2005
Responsible for teaching three sections of first-year composition.

Writing Center Coordinator
Coastal Carolina University
August 1996-December 2000
Responsible for overseeing operations of university Writing Center and teaching one section of composition per semester. Duties included hiring and training student consultants, developing individualized programs in conjunction with faculty members from across the curriculum, and working directly with student writers on all aspects of composition.

Professional Publication
Grand Strand Magazine
"Fostering Artistry: AAST Art Program Provides Ideal Environment for Creative Vision"
April 2018

Publication
Grand Strand Magazine
"Georgetown Artists Betsy Havens and Jim Calk Live, Work and Study Their Art"
February 2018

Literary Presentation
"Let's Talk About It" series, North Myrtle Beach Library
"Robert Cormier's *I am the Cheese*"
February 2018

Publication

Grand Strand Magazine
"Millie Doud's Work and Influence Permeate the Grand Strand Arts
Landscape"
December 2017

Education **University of North Carolina at Wilmington**
M.A. in English
May 1996

Marymount University
M.Ed. in Secondary Education/English
May 1993

University of Richmond
B.A. in English and Journalism
May 1990

References **Available upon request**