The Charleston County Library Board of Trustees met for a special meeting on Saturday January 9, 2016, at 9 a.m. at Drayton Hall.

Board members present were Ms. Segal, Mr. Fava, Ms. Hollinshead, Mr. Clem, Mr. Brack, Ms. Reider, Ms. Manigault, Mr. Norris, Mr. Strother and Ms. Strunk. Mr. McKellar was unable to attend. Staff members present were Doug Henderson and Cynthia Bledsoe.

Ms. Segal called the meeting to order and stated that the media and public had been informed of the meeting and its agenda.

Mural for Dart Library

Ms. Bledsoe introduced Kate Nevin, Founder and President of the Board from Enough Pie. Ms. Bledsoe said that the library has been wanting to do a mural at Dart for years, but plans have fallen through. Charleston Police suggested that the mural be done on the side of the building. Enough Pie wants to do a mural in memory of Cynthia Hurd.

Ms. Nevin said the artist, R. Robots, has family in Charleston and wants to do the mural in late January and early February. The mural project would include doing programming with children at Dart. Ms. Nevin guaranteed that the mural will catch Ms. Hurd’s spirit.

Mr. Henderson said that a donor from North Carolina donated $5,000 for the mural.

Mr. Clem expressed concerns that the artist should be properly vetted, especially in the light of what happened at Emanuel A.M.E. Church.

Mr. Fava said that the County and the Board of Architecture Review should know about plans for the mural.

Ms. Hollinshead asked if the mural would also reflect the history of the Dart Library. Ms. Nevin said that R. Robots would also put that into consideration.

Ms. Reider said that the Board of Architecture Review has a history of moving slow and if there was a possibility that it could be pushed to later in the year. Mr. Clem and Mr. Brack agreed with that sentiment.

A motion was made by Mr. Clem to work with Enough Pie and R. Robots to create a mural at Dart subject to his availability, approval by the Board of Architecture Review, background check and approval of sketches. Mr. Fava
seconded the motion. The motion passed 8-1, with Mr. Norris objecting.

Discussions about the future of CCPL followed. No action was taken.

Ms. Segal adjourned the meeting at 2 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maya Hollinshead, Secretary