

Development Committee Report for the Friends of the South Coastal Library (FOSCL)

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The Committee met last on January 7, 2025

The following are Committee updates:

New Development Committee Chairperson

Connie Dierman resigned from the board and Eric Van Winkle agreed to be the chairperson for the Development Committee. Many thanks to Connie for her commitment and dedication to FOSCL.

Fire and Ice Festival, January 31st Through February 2nd, 2025

The Fire and Ice Festival was extended by a day due to the weather. The Chamber requested that FOSCL provide volunteers to assist with festival events occurring in downtown Bethany Beach. Thank you to those that volunteered. We did not have a table this year. The South Coastal Library hosted two events during the festival.

DoMore24 Delaware, March 6-7, 2025

Connie worked with Sue Kendrat and the Communications Committee to promote DoMore24 on FOSCL's social media accounts. Connie encourages Board members to post info about the campaign on any neighborhood or HOA sites or message boards.

Chamber After Hours or Coffee Hour

The Committee secured funds on the 2025 budget to host a Chamber After-Hours or Coffee Hour networking event. The goal of the event is to host and network with local businesses, especially those that support FOSCL and the BBCT. We are prohibited from serving alcohol in the meeting room during hours that the SCL is open to the public, so an After-Hours event would need to be dry. The Committee decided that it may be more suitable to host a Coffee Hour this year. Edie will speak to Chamber staff about the change of plans and try to secure a date for the spring of 2025; and she will ask about the business card raffle that is conducted during these events.

Dine and Donate (D&D) Events in 2025

Dianna Boehm worked with Good Earth Market to secure a proposed date for a Dine and Donate event on May 1, 2025. Does this date work? The Committee discussed holding another fall event with DiFebo's. There was discussion of either simplifying or eliminating the silent auction. Rachel will coordinate an October or November date with DiFebo's.