

Lori NeSmith

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**From:** Alison A. Rogers <aarogers@myescambia.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 14, 2025 10:05 AM  
**To:** Lori NeSmith  
**Cc:** Wesley J Moreno; Adam Cobb; Beth Haley  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL]West Florida Public Library - Board of Governance

Ms. NeSmith,

We certainly appreciate your service to this County board and to your community. As the daughter of a retired university librarian, I hold the cause dear to my heart. That said, there is nothing that restricts the Mayor's authority or ability to remove or replace his appointee to this board. Further, there is nothing that says a BOG member can only be removed by the vote of the BOG. This is a board created by and kept at the will of the Escambia County Board of County Commissioners and at this time, you are deemed to no longer be a member. The Mayor will need to provide a replacement or the position will remain vacant until filled. The remaining appointees can continue to hold meetings, so long as a quorum is present.

Very best to you.

Warm regards,  
Alison Rogers

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**From:** Lori NeSmith <lori@oren-intl.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 14, 2025 9:52 AM  
**To:** Alison A. Rogers <aarogers@myescambia.com>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]West Florida Public Library - Board of Governance

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Mrs. Rogers:

I am a member of the West Florida Library Board of Governance. We are the 5-person board that is currently in the process of advertising for a new WFPL Director, gathering candidates and conducting interviews.

I am serving the final months of my 2<sup>nd</sup> 2-year term, having been first appointed by Mayor Robinson and reappointed by Mayor Reeves. I am the only member appointed directly by the Mayor.

Yesterday, I received this email from Mayor Reeves along with the attached letter stating that I have been removed from the Board of Governance. No explanation was provided.

I have thoroughly reviewed our resolution and bylaws (attached) and I believe that a BOG member can only be removed by a vote of the other board members at our regular board meetings, as specifically stated in our bylaws.

I would greatly appreciate your input in this matter and would welcome a call from you or your team to discuss.

Thank you.

**Lori NeSmith**

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**From:** DC Reeves <[DCReeves@cityofpensacola.com](mailto:DCReeves@cityofpensacola.com)>

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**Subject:** West Florida Public Library

Dear Ms. NeSmith,

I hope this message finds you well. Please see the attached letter regarding your position on the West Florida Public Libraries Board of Governance.

Thank you for your service and contributions to the Board

**D.C. Reeves**

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