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BLAND COUNTY ANNOUNCES NEW BRANCH MANAGER AT BLAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

(Bland County, Virginia) On Wednesday, February 26, 2025, Bland County announced the promotion of Mrs. Haley Painter to the role of Branch Manager for the Bland County Public Library. She stated, "I am grateful and excited to step into this new role at the library! It is a place filled to the brim with community and imagination. I'm eager to continue celebrating and growing this space together, as we look forward to more shared stories, serving our patrons, and meeting the ever-changing needs of our people. Thank you to Mrs. Burton, our library board, and the Bland County Board of Supervisors for this wonderful opportunity." Mrs. Painter has been employed at the Bland County Public Library since the summer of August 2023. With her she brings a Master's Degree in Education, Curriculum, and Instruction from Virginia Tech.

"As a member of the Board of Supervisors, I am pleased to see the library growing. Our library is a vibrant part of our community" states Steve Kelley. Mr. Kelley continued, "I'm excited to see our young people take pivotal roles in our community."

"I am pleased that Mrs. Painter has accepted this position. Her education and work experience makes her a natural choice" stated Chairman Randy Johnson.

Similar comments come from Mr. Costello who is a member of the Board of Supervisors and the Library Board of Trustees. "Mrs. Painter brings significant educational experience to the library. She has a clear understanding of the educational responsibilities of the library as an organization."

Board of Supervisors Vice-Chairman Patrick Groseclose states, "We understand that families in Bland County love our library. We look forward to watching it grow every year" stated Board of Supervisors member Patrick Groseclose.

"Mrs. Painters knowledge and vast experience in the educational field makes her a tremendous asset to the library. She not only has the mind to complete the job, but she also has the heart for it. Anyone who works with Haley knows she has something special, the ability to connect, create, foster relationships, and engage our community. I expect that she will do great things", said Cameron Burton, County Administrator and Library Director.

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Mrs. Haley Painter, Bland County Public Library, Branch Manager

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