

DODGEVILLE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Monday, September 11, 2023

The Dodgeville Public Library Board of Trustees met Monday, September 11, 2023 in person.

Present: Vanderloo, Howard, Wepking, Solberg, Spady, Ponsler, Murphy, Noel, McSherry

Vanderloo called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and there being no objections declared the meeting duly posted. The agenda for this meeting was declared approved and the August 14, 2023, minutes were approved with some discussion regarding the emailed version. Corrections were made and there were no further objections.

Public Comment: None

Old Business

- A. 2024 Budget: Angela went over a draft of the operating budget. At this time, it looks like about a 14% increase. County Aid increased approximately \$7,500. Talked with Denny Marklein regarding signing a 2-year lease for the Annex. We will discuss staff compensation at a special meeting.

New Business

- A. Determine Date for Special Meeting to Approve 2024 Budget Request: The final budget is due on September 29. A special meeting to approve the budget request will be on Monday, September 25, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

Library Director's Report: The weeding of the YA and Adult for 2023 is complete. Carol G. is continuing to weed the Children's area. The year-to-date total of attendees is 4,812 with 150 programs being offered. Starting September 11, 2023, the weekly service date for Ridgeway will be on Mondays. Story time resumes on September 18th. LEGO at the Library continues as well as Crafty Kids. Nancy A. is working on scheduling a historical presentation on the life of Henry Dodge in mid-October.

Staff training was held at the Iowa County Human Services building. Overall, the training included about 30 people with half from Dodgeville Public Library and half from other libraries around SWLS. The SWAL Annual Conference will be Friday, November 3, 2023. The library will be closed for the day so that all staff who would like to, can attend. Carol Murphy will take a WordPress course this fall in preparation for a website redesign in the future. The WLA conference is October 24-27, 2023, in Middleton-Angela will be presenting one session. Angela is also continuing with the staff evaluations.

Financial Report and Acceptance of Monthly Bills: Motion by Howard to accept and pay the monthly bills. Second by Wepking. All in favor. Motion passed.

Concerns and Comments of the Board: Discussed changes to the bathrooms and signage. We will discuss it in October.

Future Agenda Items: Bathrooms and Winter Weather Policy. Director Evaluation in November.

Upcoming Meeting: Next regular meeting: October 9, 2023 at 5:00 p.m., Special Meeting: Monday, September 25, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Closed Session per Wisconsin Sec.1985(1)(c)considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility: Staff Compensation.
Motion by Solberg. Second by Howard. Roll call: Vanderloo, Howard, McSherry, Wepking, Solberg, Spady, Ponsler – all in favor. Motion carried

Motion by Wepking to return to open session. Second by Howard. All in favor. Motion carried.

Action from Closed Session: No action taken from closed session.

Adjourn: Motion by Solberg to adjourn. Second by Spady. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kari McSherry