

THE DODGEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Monday, November 4, 2024 at 5:00 PM

The Dodgeville Public Library Board of Trustees met on Monday, November 4, 2024 at 5:00 PM in person.

Present: Jody Vanderloo, Lisa Spady, Mary Wepking, Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Nancy Howard, Ryne Ponsler, Deb Haag, Kari McSherry, Carrie Portz-Library Director, Carol Murphy-Assistant Library Director.

Agenda & Minutes Approval: The meeting of the Dodgeville Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:06 PM by Jody Vanderloo and there being no objections declared the meeting duly posted. The agenda for this meeting was declared approved and the October 14, 2024 minutes were approved with no objections.

Treasurer's Report: Acceptance of the bills. Motion by Mary Wepking to accept and pay the bills. Second by Ryne Ponsler. All in favor. Motion carried.

Librarian's Report: Highlights from Carrie Portz included staff attending the Southwest Wisconsin Association of Libraries Annual Conference, also Carrie Portz attended the Wisconsin Library Association Conference in Gree Bay. Numerous meetings were held during the month of October which are all listed in Carrie's report. Carol Murphy gave the Friends of the Library update. Home for the Holidays is the theme for the parade on Saturday, October 30. Meet at the library at 5:30 PM. The Annex will be open from 12-7 and will offer hot chocolate after the parade. Discussed being a part of Amazon Smile with the kickback to the library, also talked about fundraising.

Old Business: 2025 Library Operating Budget. Motion by Lisa Spady to approve the 2025 Library Operating Budget. Second by Deb Haag. All in favor. Motion carried.

New Business:

1. **Building Project Discussion:** Discussed various building contractors in our area. HGA has building contractors that they would contact. Kraemer, Findorff, McGuire were some contractors that were mentioned. We would bid the exterior first, and bid the interior second. Discussed having a construction administrator, and also the architect suggested that Carrie Portz work with Greg Lee making sure the contractor is following the specifications. Discussed interior design possibly being outsourced, the costs associated with our temporary site, book storage at the armory, and some programs could possibly be at Merrimac and Main during the renovation and also the high school was discussed as an option during the summer.

Carrie Portz will find out more information at the Green Bay conference regarding library moving companies.

2. Building Committee Appointments: The building committee will be: Carrie Portz, Greg Lee, Roxanne Reynolds-Lair, Jody Vanderloo, Mary Wepking. Deb Haag would be a backup. Dan Meuer and Tom Delain could be advisors. The presentation of the Library Renovation Project will be held on January 22 at the high school.
3. Fundraising Committee Appointments: Carrie Portz, Carol Murphy, Jody Vanderloo, Deb Haag, Nancy Howard, Lisa Spady, Ryne Ponsler, Kari McSherry
Several names were mentioned to possibly be on an advisory committee. Including Vickie Stangel, Jeff Grayson, Terry Edwards, Penny Edwards, John Dalton, Jenna Vondra, Julia Oellerich.

Concerns and Comments of the Board: Nancy Howard mentioned that the Annex is looking better and better.

Upcoming Meetings: Monday, December 9, 2024

Adjourn: Motion by Nancy Howard to adjourn the meeting. Second by Roxanne Reynolds-Lair. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:49 PM

Respectfully submitted by Kari McSherry