

THE DODGEVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Monday, February 10, 2025

The Dodgeville Public Library Board of Trustees met on Monday, February 10, 2025 in the City Hall Council Chambers.

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

Agenda & Minutes Approval: The meeting of the Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:01 PM by President Jody Vanderloo, and there being no objections the meeting was declared duly posted. The Agenda for this meeting and the Minutes of the January 13, 2025 meeting were declared approved with no objections.

Public Comment: None

Treasurer's Report: Mary Wepking moved to accept the bills for payment. Roxanne Reynolds-Lair seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Director Portz reviewed the year-end financial statements. There will be carryover funds into 2025. Portz will try to generate a financial statement quarterly for the board to have a better idea of where we are with our accounts.

Nancy Howard reported that the Foundation has \$1,498,887.99 in its Edward Jones accounts as of today. Portz passed around the Marine Credit Union accounts statement. The Foundation has \$16,177.92 in those accounts.

Reports & Updates:

Portz reviewed her Director's Report with the board. Of note: Carol Murphy and Carol Gleichauf had attended a Materials Reconsideration workshop which they thought was very helpful. Our Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials was reviewed at the end of 2024. The video of the Community Conversation regarding the library project will be posted by the library. The Library is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, and Portz and Murphy will attend their dinner next week. Also, the Library will host the Chamber's "Commerce After 5" meeting March 12.

Building Committee Update: The Amendment to the budget for the grant was approved. Soil borings were taken last month and the results came today. Some blasting may need to be done. The floor plan has been decided and the committee is looking at the interior now. They are still looking to put the project out for bids by March 27.

Fundraising Committee Update: This committee will meet February 24 at 4:30 p.m. The board discussed of the Commerce After 5 get-together and what to provide for refreshments and how to pay for this, with the suggestion that this might be funded by the Foundation. Local History Day during the Town

Square will be July 19, and the Library will probably share that day. It may be possible for the library to pick up another day during the Town Square period.

Portz also reviewed the monthly statistics and said she thought things looked good. She was experimenting with different report formats and asked if board members had anything they particularly wanted to see or some things they didn't need to see. Ridgeway numbers were looking good.

Old Business: None

New Business: Review and approval of the 2024 Dodgeville Public Library Annual Report. Members went over the report. Discussion followed of whether the System provided what the Dodgeville Library needed, and Portz said that they did. Mary Wepking moved to approve the 2024 Dodgeville Public Library Annual Report. Ryne Ponsler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vanderloo will sign the report so it can be submitted.

Ponsler asked about the impending snow event. Our Closing policy had also been reviewed in December. Portz will use that to decide whether and when to close.

Upcoming Meetings: March 10, 2025, regular Board of Trustees meeting.

Fundraising Committee meets February 24 at 4:30 p.m. All board members are welcome to attend.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy L. Howard