

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Community Room - Lester Public Library 1001 Adams Street, Two Rivers, WI 54241

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER – President Pennefeather called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: David Pennefeather, Ned Guyette, Shannon Derby, Don Weiss, Kathryn Gadd, Katie Stone, Sharon Sleger, and Stanley Palmer. Absent and excused - Mary Glaser. Also present: Chris Hamburg, Adult Services Coordinator, and Jeff Dawson, Director

3. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

4. APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes from the December 10, 2024, meeting, made by Weiss, second made by Guyette. Voice vote carried unanimously.

5. RECEIVE AND FILE EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion to receive and file the expenditure and financial reports from December, 2024, made by Palmer, second made by Sleger. Voice vote carried unanimously.

6. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Sleger appreciated the adult Christmas to-go packs. Derby noted library staff who fielded a call, were not aware of the EAB presentation, Dawson will remind staff to read the monthly newsletters. Gadd's teens are loving the new teen subscription service, they have renewed interest in reading. Pennefeather has been using the copy service and appreciates the quality and cost of the printing.

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dawson fielded questions and comments concerning his report.

8. COMMUNICATIONS

A. Library Newsletter - January 2025

9. REPORT FROM CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

There are 5 candidates for City Council. Reported on several ongoing projects across the city.

10. REPORT FROM SCHOOL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE - No Report

11. REPORT FROM COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE

Numerous zoning applications passed along with a number of appointments. The board continues to monitor a budget shortfall in the Health and Human Services Department.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Palmer led a discussion on an article from the New York Times, "I Get Why Students No Longer Read."

13. NEW BUSINESS

A. Policy Review – Meeting Room Policy was discussed, Dawson will bring changes to the February Board meeting.

14. BOARD EDUCATION - None

15. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

16. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Gadd, second made by Derby. Voice vote carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:06 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Jeff Dawson, Director