

MINOCQUA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD (MPL)
FEBRUARY 19,2024
MINUTES

Committee Members Present: Peggy O’Connell, Library Director; Kim Widmer, President; Trustees: Angela Maki, Pat Pechura, Karen Stinemates, and Amanda Zoellner

Absent Members: Lisa Nomm and Stephanie Wotachek

Public Members: none

1. Call to Order: Kim Widmer called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm in the library program room. The meeting was properly posted and distributed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law and the facility was handicap accessible.

Verification of Quorum: There was a quorum to conduct business.

2. Approve agenda for today’s meeting: All agenda items assumed to be discussion/decision items. **Motion/Second (Zoellner/Stinemates)** to approve today’s agenda as presented. All “Aye”; motion carried.

3. Approve minutes of January 15, 2024 meeting: Pat Pechura noted a change to the MPLF next meeting date to read “March 26, 2024.” **Motion/Second (Pechura/Zoellner)** to approve the minutes from the January 15, 2024 meeting, with the change. All “Aye”; motion carried.

4. Reports – Updates only, no formal action:

- a. Treasurer’s Report – Pat Pechura reviewed and discussed the treasurer’s report, with focus on review of the 2023 expenditures and budget and a brief discussion of the 2024 budget.
- b. Director’s Report – Peggy O’Connell presented the director’s report. Discussion included circulation totals, library programming, and other library issues. Additional discussion and information occurred about the town’s upcoming referendum and Library Legislative Day.
- c. WVLS Report – Pat Pechura shared topics from the latest WVLS meeting, through information she found online. Topics included budget items and the Northern Wisconsin ILS Consortium Exploration (NICE) merger. Pechura also pointed out that a representative from Oneida County is still needed for the WVLS Board.
- d. Oneida County Library Board (OCLB) Report – The OCLB meeting scheduled for February 15, 2024 was cancelled. There is no information on the next meeting date.
- e. Minocqua Public Library Foundation (MPLF) Report –Pat Pechura stated the next MPLF meeting will be held on March 26, 2024, at 6:00 pm in the Minocqua Public Library program room.

5. Public Library Annual Report 2023: Peggy O’Connell led a discussion of annual information, including library visits, circulation, program attendance, and other data.

6. Statement Concerning Public System Effectiveness: Peggy O’Connell read the statement regarding the effectiveness of WVLS. **Motion/Second (Zoellner/Stinemates)** to approve the statement. All “Aye”; motion carried.

7. Public Comment: none

Next Board Meeting set for March 18, 2024, at 5:00 pm in the Minocqua Public Library program room.

8. Adjournment: **Motion/Second (Stinemates/Pechura)** to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Angela Maki