

Meeting of the
Menomonie Public Library Board of Trustees
March 16, 2023 @ 6:00 PM
In-person and Via Zoom

Approved Minutes:

1. Meeting recorded on Zoom by Sterk. A link to the recording follows:
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2. Call to order: by Witucki at 6:02 PM.
3. Roll Call:
 - Present: Scott Flaschenriem, Suzanne Gaines, John Grape, Sara Huhmann, Don Kuether, Logan Mather, Pat Hahn, Jessica Graham, Kelly McCullough and Darrin Witucki
 - Absent: Brian Seguin and Dayle Mandelson
 - Also present: Joleen Sterk, Director; Jen Atkinson, Circulation Supervisor, Stephanie May, Library Staff and Lisa Murray, Recording Secretary, plus Chris Silewski, Ayres Associates.
4. Certification of compliance with Open Meetings Law.
5. Approval of agenda: Motion by McCullough, seconded by Mather to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED.
6. Public comments: Josie Pillman and Jim Swanson each had 3 minutes to speak about the Reconsideration Committee meeting held on 3-8-23. A letter from Sue Lindahl was also presented.
7. Reading and approval of the February 2023 minutes. Flaschenriem moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Hahn. MOTION CARRIED.
8. Approval of Bills & Payroll. Mather moved to approve the March 2023 bills and payroll, seconded by Huhmann. MOTION CARRIED.
9. Reports of the officers
 - a. Secretary's report: (Logan Mather) None
 - b. Treasurer's report: (Suzanne Gaines) None
 - c. President's report: (Darrin Witucki) Witucki has been attending meetings regarding the outdoor project and the reconsideration committee. He also met with Sterk to discuss current events and the board agenda, and attended Sterk's Community Conversations event. He also mentioned that Olson Solar Energy would be coming this spring to evaluate the roof for a possible solar project.

- d. Director's report: (Joleen Sterk) Sterk's report was in your packets. She also presented a graph showing our financial support over the past 20 years using figures adjusted for inflation. She presented at a Community Conversations event recently and the recording is available to view. We recently hired Bob Bachman as a Circulation Clerk I. We have 2 openings on the Library Foundation board.
10. Old business:
- a. The Polasky estate
 - i. Chris Silewski from Ayres Associates presented the Master Plan for the Outdoor Project. Next steps include an Implementation Strategy and a Community Information Session.
 - b. The Facilities and Capital Planning Committee is still working on the outdoor space as well as the capital projects schedule.
11. New Business:
- a. Reconsideration Committee: The title "Jacob's Room to Choose" was challenged for reconsideration on March 8th. The minutes from that meeting were in the packets, along with letters from Pillman, Swanson & Lindahl. Motion by McCullough, seconded by Flaschenriem: to uphold to decision of the Reconsideration Committee to keep this book in circulation. MOTION CARRIED.
 - b. ACT 150-Motion by Mather, seconded by McCullough to approve the ACT 150 reimbursement requests to our home county and adjacent counties. MOTION CARRIED.
 - c. Long Range Plan including a Technical Plan: A computer inventory and replacement schedule was presented. The long range plan was updated in 2022.
 - d. Strategic Funding Plan: There was discussion on this topic but no action was taken.
12. Agenda planning for next Board meeting:
- a. Polasky estate: Update
 - i. Ayres Associates: (Chris Silewski)
 - b. Budget goals for 2024
13. Other business: The Friends book sale starts 3/19 and runs through April 1st. All library board members are invited to attend the 3/19 Members Only sale as "Honorary Members."
14. Adjourned at 7:30 PM

Next Board Meeting: April 20, 2023 at 6:00 PM

Lisa Murray,
Recording Secretary

Date

Logan Mather
Secretary

Date