

Bridges Library System Board Meeting Minutes
March 19, 2025
Bridges Library System Office

PRESENT: In person: Linda Ager, Art Biermeier, Betsy Forrest, Glenda Dolphin, Jean Yeomans, Larry Nelson, Jim Heinrich
Via Zoom: Robert Kraus, Diane Knutson, Nancy Wilhelm

EXCUSED: Amanda Golson

OTHERS: In person: Karol Kennedy, Bridges Library System Director; Nicole Purifoy, Bridges Library System Executive Assistant
Via Zoom: Abby Armour, Mukwonago Community Library Director and APL Representative

Call to order: Linda Ager, Board President, called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Introductions were completed after the call to order.

Comments from the Public: None

Correspondence: None

Meeting Minutes: A Biermeier/Kraus motion to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2025 meeting, as presented, passed unanimously.

ACTION ON THE BILLS REPORT

Bills Reports: A Heinrich/Forrest motion to approve the March 2025 monthly invoices, as presented, passed unanimously.

Financial Reports: A Heinrich/Yeomans motion to approve the unaudited Year-End 2024 financial reports for funds 210 and 215, as presented, passed unanimously.
A Heinrich/Dolphin motion to approve the February 2025 financial reports for funds 210 and 215, as presented, passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Director: Karol noted that the Joint Finance Committee meeting will be held Friday, April 4th at Wisconsin State Fair Park. Karol also reported that Michael Luckey has been appointed as Jefferson County Administrator. The Jefferson County Board is taking recommendations for appointments of library board members. Karol also reported on discussions regarding IMLS funding.

APL: Abby reported on discussion topics at the last APL meeting including the Lucky Day Collection, Hoopa and early 2026 budget priorities amongst the libraries.

Resource Library: Betsy noted that Library Legislative Day 2026 will be held on February 10, 2026. Betsy also reported the Waukesha Public Library was awarded a Teen Summer Intern grant from DPI. The library has also viewed demos from several vendors for desk scheduling software.

Director Search Committee: Linda reported that during the last committee meeting survey results were reviewed and used to develop interview questions during the last committee meeting and interview candidates were selected. Linda also gave a brief overview of the interview process that will be used.

Bridges Library System 2024 State Annual Report: A Nelson/Yeomans motion to approve the Bridges Library System 2024 State Annual Report, as presented, passed unanimously.

Youth Services Workshop Presenter Agreement: A Biermeier/Wilhem motion to approve the Youth Services Workshop Presenter Agreement, as presented, passed unanimously.

Family Day Presenter Agreement: A Kraus/Knutson motion to approve the Family Day Presenter Agreement, as presented, passed unanimously.

Agreement Approval Guidelines: Discussion regarding the current agreement approval process for present agreements was held. No action taken at this time.

System Director 2025 Goals Status Report: Karol gave a report on the status of her 2025 system director goals.

Next Meeting: April 16, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. at Karl Junginger Memorial Library in Waterloo.

At 5:16 PM a Wilhelm/Heimrich motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

Minutes prepared by:
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