

**Bridges Library System Board Meeting Minutes**  
**April 16, 2025**  
**Karl Junginger Memorial Library**

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

**OTHERS:** In person: Karol Kennedy, Bridges Library System Director; Nicole Purifoy, Bridges Library System Executive Assistant, Kelli Mountford, Karl Junginger Memorial Library Director and APL Representative

**Call to order:** Betsy Forrest, Board Vice President, called the meeting to order at 4:06 PM.

Introductions were completed after the call to order.

**Comments from the Public:** None

**Correspondence:** None

**Meeting Minutes:** A Heinrich/Knutson motion to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2025 meeting, as presented, passed unanimously.

**ACTION ON THE BILLS REPORT**

*Bills Reports:* A Heinrich/Biermeier motion to approve the April 2025 monthly invoices, as presented, passed unanimously.

*Financial Reports:* A Heinrich/Knutson motion to approve the February 2025 financial reports for funds 210 and 215, as presented, passed unanimously.

**REPORTS**

*Director:* Karol reported on the retirement of Bridges Coordinator of Library Development, Laurie Freund and announced Kelly Nelson has transitioned into the role. Karol gave an overview of the competitive Innovation and Improvement Grants awarded for 2025. Karol also gave a brief update on IMLS funding.

*APL:* Kelli reported on discussion topics at the last APL meeting including IMLS funding, changes or additions to 2026 databases used by the libraries and Library Calendar.

*Resource Library:* Betsy reported on the success of the annual Youth Art Reception at the Waukesha Public Library. Betsy also noted that the library has started a newsletter "Letters from the Lit Lounge" and there are already over 200 subscribers.

**Closed Session:** A Wilhem/Biermeier motion to convene in closed session, pursuant to section 19.85 (1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes, passed unanimously.

Closed session convened at 4:34 PM.

Session reopened at 6:25 PM.

*Next Meeting:* May 21 2025 at 4:00 p.m. at Pauline Haass Public Library in Sussex.

At 6:26 PM a Wilhelm/Heinrich motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

*Minutes prepared by:*  
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