

LESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
January 12, 2016 6:00 PM
Community Room of the Lester Public Library

Call to Order –President Collette Tegen called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

Roll Call – Members Present: Collette Tegen, David Pennefeather, Patrick Gagnon, Sally Taylor, Larry Thomas, Stanley Palmer, Kirsten Miller, Ned Guyette and Don Chewning. Absent and excused: Rick Henrickson. Also present: Adult Services Coordinator Chris Hamburg and Director Jeff Dawson.

Public Comment – None

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve minutes of December 8, 2015, made by Guyette, second made by Thomas. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Expenditures & Financial Reports – Motion to accept and file the December 2015 financial reports – Detail Ledger, Balance Sheets, Revenue and Expense Details, SII, and Edward Jones, made by Gagnon second made by Chewning. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Board Member Comment – Chewning commented on the outstanding design and content of the January Newsletter.

Director’s Report – Dawson further discussed the telephone system upgrade, online catalog video tutorials and Ancestry.com use.

Report from City Council Representative – New budget year for the City is underway. Harbor Park improvements are just a bit behind schedule. There will be a primary for City Council elections to winnow the field from 7 candidates to 6. City will visit strategic planning in coming work sessions.

Report from School District Representative – No report

Report from County Representative – No report

Unfinished Business:

- Motion to approve the Internet Access policy as amended, made by Thomas, second made by Pennefeather. Voice vote carried unanimously.

New Business:

- Dawson gave a quarterly review of progress on the library’s strategic plan.
- Motion to create a resolution for review and possible approval for the February 2016 meeting in support of the City to review parking improvements for the library and neighboring apartment building, made by Palmer, second made by Miller. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Closed Executive Session – President Tegen read the Wisconsin Statutes s. 19.85(1)(c) allowing closed session when the employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee under the jurisdiction of the particular government body is being considered. Ms. Tegen stated the reason the Closed Session is in regards to a personnel issue. She then opened the floor for a motion to enter into Closed Session. Motion made by Miller to enter into Closed Session, second made by Chewning. Roll Call Vote: Ned Guyette – Aye; Sally Taylor – Aye; Larry Thomas – Aye; David Pennefeather – Aye; Collette Tegen – Aye; Kirsten Miller – Aye; Patrick Gagnon – Aye; Don Chewning – Aye; Stanley Palmer - Aye. The Board of Trustees entered into Closed Session at 6:45 PM.

At 6:54 PM, a motion to reconvene in Open Session was made by Gagnon, second made by Guyette. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Board Education – None

Motion to adjourn made by Gagnon, second made by Thomas. Voice vote carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Jeff Dawson, Director