

ONEIDA COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD
Minutes of July 16, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the Oneida County Library Board was called to order by President Klein on July 16th, 2015 at 1:30 P.M. Committee Room 1, 2nd floor of the Oneida County Courthouse. The meeting was properly noticed and located according to law.

LIBRARY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Ken Klein, Diana Blicharz, Pat Pechura, Tom Kelly, Marlene Kerkes, Alan VanRaalte and Mary Schoeneck.

LIBRARY DIRECTORS: Mary Taylor (MPL), Virginia Roberts (RPL) and Erica Brewster (EUDL).

WVLS REPRESENTATIVES: Kris Adams Wendt and Paul Knuth.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion by Pechura, seconded by VanRaalte to approve agenda. Motion passed.

APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 12TH, 2015 MEETING: Corrections to minutes noted and corrected minutes were approved with motion by VanRaalte, seconded by Pechura. Motion passed.

RECENT DEVELOPMENT AND INPUT: Discussion followed about submission of budgets by July 1st deadline. After lengthy discussion, it was decided to check with the county clerk on this issue and to look at past precedent.

RHINELANDER PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT: A number of programs have significantly increased in usage including RDL Outreach and WIFI usage. Many adult programs are offered for the summer and can be accessed on the RPL website.

MINOQUA PUBLIC LIBRARY: Extended garden continues to flourish and upcoming events include Crazy Day Book Sale on August 11-12th and a Mystery at the Library event in November.

EUDL LIBRARY: A July 17th workshop meeting is scheduled with Becher Hoppe to develop initial design for library portion of town complex. Spring Fling annual fundraiser netted \$3000 for new materials. Summer reading program and all programs (children and adult) have been well attended.

WVLS: Kris Adams Wendt distributed updated copies of the WVLS meetings and continuing education opportunities calendar and July 15th Wisconsin Library Association Legislative Newsletter. The WVLS Library Advisory committee, of which Virginia Roberts and Erica Brewster are members, will meet on August 13 in Wausau with the WVLS Trustees meeting on August 16th. The WVLS Director's Retreat is scheduled for September 17th. Funding for state library aid was maintained at the same level in the 2015-2017 budget signed into law on July 13th. In these times, flat funding is the new increase. Essential to a positive outcome were early contacts made with members of the Joint Finance Committee at listening sessions like the ones held in early January at the Tomahawk, Minocqua and Crandon libraries with Joint Finance Committee members Senator Tiffany and Representative Czaja, as well as Representatives Swearingen and Mursau. OCLB members were encouraged to send thank you notes to their legislators and Governor Walker.

FINANCE AND BUDGET: Motion by Schoeneck, seconded by Kerkes to approve director's vouchers and mileage. Motion passed.

More discussion followed concerning yearly Oneida County Budget requests and the Oneida County Library Board Plan Of Service 2015-2019. Minor suggestions were made to the Plan of Service to “clean up” inconsistent language and clarify items with these changes. Blicharz made a motion to approve the Plan of Service, seconded by Pechura. Motion passed.

REVIEW OF BUDGET REQUESTS: Requests for libraried and non-libraried requests were presented.

EUDU LIBRARY: \$42,642, MINOQUA PUBLIC LIBRARY: \$149,048.28, RHINELANDER PUBLIC LIBRARY: \$164,278.

NON-LIBRARY TOWNSHIPS: ANTIGO: \$3,355.27 BOULDER JUNCTION: \$80 CRANDON: \$1,493.65 EAGLE RIVER: \$9,139 MANITOWISH: 0 MERRILL: \$764.39 PARK FALLS: 0 PHILIPS: 0 PLUM LAKE: \$126 TOMAHAWK: \$38,249 OGEMA: 129.95 Further action on these requests will occur at the next Oneida County Library Board meeting on August 20, 2015.

NEXT MEETING DATE: August 20, 2015

Respectfully submitted
Mary Schoeneck Secretary