

Columbia County Library System Board

July 16, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Portage Public Library

Portage, Wisconsin

Board Members in Attendance:

Nancy Long, Betty Reiter, Linda Ross Beth Ann Scott, Eric Shimpach, and Debra Torrison. **Via Zoom:** Troy Ryan.

Library Directors in Attendance: Alex LeClair, Debbie Bird, and Whitney Parrillo. **Via Zoom:** Lindsey Ganz, Jodi Bailey, Roxanne Staveness, Cathy Borck and Tracie Miller.

Board President Nancy Long called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Board members introduced themselves and Nancy noted the meeting had been properly noticed. There was no public input.

Approval of Agenda:

Eric Shimpach made a motion to approve the agenda and Linda Ross seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

Approval of the Minutes:

Eric Shimpach made a motion to approve the agenda and Beth Ann Scott seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

Update from SCLS:

Mark Jochem, Workforce Development Specialist, shared that SCLS is now transitioning to office attendance. Trustee training is set for August 23-27. There will be a training session for job center resources for library staff provided by Work Force Development and their service area includes Dane, Columbia, and Sauk county. Mark, is working on a project with Chris Baker, Adult Service Librarian, Portage library. They are working on coordinating serves for the adults in need, to provide information and referral. They are working with River Haven, Work Smart Network, Columbia county Health and Human Services, and Forward Services Corporation to coordinate information as a one stop resource. They have already implemented a drop off/pick up service. If successful they will replicate the program to help other county libraries.

Library Visits:

Beth Ann Scott recently visited the Lodi library. She toured the facility and attended their board meeting.

Update on Cooperative Programing:

Lindsey shared attendance of the events that took place and upcoming events. There have been 296 attendees over ten events. Check your library web site to find the next event.

Discussion of \$5,000. Joint Purchase:

After discussion, the directors will make a recommendation by our September meeting.

2022 Budget Approval:

Prior to the meeting, Debbie Bird submitted all of the required budget information to the board for review. Before discussion, Debbie summarized the information. The documents provided adhere with the directive of the county to submit a 0% budget. After discussion, Debra Torrison made a motion to

approve the proposed budget. Betty Reiter seconded the motion. With a roll call vote the budget was approved.

Directors shared some of their summer programs and their success.

Our next scheduled meeting will be September 17th at 9 a.m. Location is undetermined.

Motion to adjourn by Linda Ross and Beth Ann seconded. Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Betty Reiter, Secretary