

Columbia County Library Systems Board
Special Meeting - August 9, 2018
Meeting Minutes

Portage Public Library
Portage, WI

Board Members in Attendance:

Susanna Bradley
Dianne Effinger
Nan Hughes
Nancy M. Long
Susan Martin
Betty Reiter
Beth Ann Scott

Library Directors in Attendance:

Cindy Fesemyer – Columbus
Kristine Millard – Lodi
Emily Goad – Portage
Lindsey Ganz – Poynette

Visitors and Guests in Attendance:

Mark Ibach – SCLS

Board President Nan Hughes called the meeting to order at 9 AM. Members and guests responded with their names. Nan noted the meeting has been properly posted.

Approval of Agenda:

Betty Reiter moved that the agenda be approved. Susanna Bradley seconded it. Motion carried.

We held a time of sharing with all parities participating discussing and finalizing our goal statements and “Did You Know” portion of the 2019 County Budget Proposal for consideration before the County Finance Committee in September.

The simple math that we’re proposing will create a number that we present to the County is the static \$172,000 for what we are calling “adjacent county reimbursement”. That number is set. We have no choice; the county must pay that. We are proposing that they give our operating county library support a 2% increase and keep up operating expenses at the resource library static which is \$9,000. It is a 2.45% increase to county library support reimbursement of \$572,650 for a total appropriation of \$744,650.


On July 12th Nan made a motion to “request reimbursement to the county libraries at 82% of formula funding or higher as defined in Wisconsin Statute (this item is exempt from State levy limit) to better support services to libraries in the county and to fund libraries at equitable levels.” Susanna Bradley made a motion to rescind that motion. Dianne seconded the motion. It was approved without dissent.

Motion was made by Nancy Long that we approve the \$744,650-dollar proposal. Susanna Bradley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

We finalized goals and statements and the “Did You Know” portion of the budget proposal. Emily will work with Jody Hoesly and Mark Ibach to add graphics and make sure our numbers are correct. She will email a copy of this to CCLB members and the library directors.

We adjourned at 11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Betty Reiter, Secretary

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