

**COLUMBIA COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD  
MEETING MINUTES**

Portage Public Library  
Portage, WI

November 21, 2014

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

President Carol Ziehmke called the meeting to order at 9:08AM.

**BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Susanna Bradley, Dianne Effinger, Judy Eulberg, Nan Hughes, Nancy M. Long, Patricia Westby, Carol Ziehmke

**LIBRARY DIRECTORS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Shannon Schultz

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

**GUEST:**

Sue Moll, County Clerk

**Meeting properly noticed**

Yes

Approve agenda

Motion by Bradley. Second by Westby. Unanimous voice vote.

Subject matter

Approve minutes of the previous meeting

Motion by Long

Second by Hughes

**Term appointments**

Westby will continue on the Columbia County Library Board (CCLB) but will no longer serve on the South Central Library System Board (SCLS). Effinger will continue on the CCLB. Long explained to Moll the SCLS relationship to the CCLB. SCLS board meets monthly at the headquarters in Madison. One member from each county comprised the board. Shannon Schultz is on the Executive Committee. IT and delivery are the most important services provided.

**Report on presentation of county library 2015 budget to the finance committee**

Ziehmke who attended the September 26 meeting with Schultz found it an interesting experience remarking on one county board member who was an avid EBook reader.

**Thanks to Government officials for library support**

Schultz sent congratulations to newly elected village and city officials. CCLB members were encouraged to let our officials know that we appreciate their due diligence in matters of budget. Hughes mentioned that Dawn Foster's fabulous report to CESA 5 on library collaboration was received with enthusiasm.

**Resource Library Report – annual report**

Schultz reported that the 2016 budget priorities are currently under discussion. E magazines are the latest hot topic with about 20% of the budget spent on children's topics. Wyocena currently has no director but part-time staff is keeping the facility open. The Cornerstone Banquet was held last night with the Portage Public Library recognized for its summer food program.

**SCLS REPRESENTATIVE:**

Shawn Brommer sent her apologies, as she was not in attendance due to a mix up in date and time of the meeting.

**Library Advocate of the year award**

Lack of communication presented problems for the 2014 award. The applications will be sent out before Christmas this year. The CCLB will choose the award winner in January and the March meeting with the library directors will provide a forum for the awardee's library to share its idea for presentation. Westby suggested that perpetual plaque be established and move yearly to the winner's library for display.

**Library visits**

Eulberg attended the Rio Public Library aboard meeting and was entertained by the camaraderie among its members. She also attended a book signing at the Kilbourn Public Library.

**Set next meeting date**

The next meeting of the CCLB will be held in Poynette on January 16.

**Adjourn**

Zidehmke adjourned the meeting at 10:30.

Respectfully submitted,



Judy Eulberg  
CCLB Secretary