

Library Board of Trustees  
Minutes  
Thursday, December 11, 2025

Members Present: Joleen McBride, Stephen Balda, Kate Campbell, Sonny Hyde, Mark Olson, Dana Westedt; Also present: Assistant Director Anne Howe; Library Director Sue Kucher

Call to Order: McBride called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda: Campbell moved to approve the agenda. Westedt seconded. All approved.

Minutes of the November Meeting: Campbell moved to approve the minutes; Olson seconded. All approved.

Finance Report: Campbell presented the report; Balda moved to approve the report; Hyde seconded; all approved.

Director's Report: November circulation of 15,650; visitor count 9,840; 447 computer uses; 102 Volunteer hours; 27 new library cards issued. Cookbook club continues to be very popular. Upcoming programs include a self-serve gift wrap station, Holiday cookie decorating on Saturday, December 20, family movie on 12/23, a teen food challenge, and noon years eve party on 12/31. YS Librarian Heather Johnson has announced resignation as of 12/31. Stephanie Baldwin-Curtis has been promoted to YS Librarian. Recruitment is underway for PT Circ assistant and PT Youth Services Assistant. City has proposed change to COLA adjustments to offset increases in health insurance. FOL booksale is scheduled for January 8-12, FOL membership meeting is Sunday, 1/4. Next Sauk County Library Board Meeting is 1/12 in Reedsburg.

Building Expansion Report: Goal for reclamation of cubicles set for completion by March 2026. Ambulance and Police Dept have scheduled training at new facility.

Bills: \$20108.51 was expended from library operating; \$1,604.34 from Utilities. Westedt moved to approve. Campbell seconded. All approved.

General Business: Discussion of fundraising feasibility study, with pros and cons of 2 finalist firms. Campbell moved to contract with the Sweeney Group; Olson seconded. Yes-McBride, Hyde, Westedt, Olson, Campbell. No-Balda. Motion passed. Howe presented updated emergency policy. Hyde moved to approve; Balda seconded. All approved. Kucher presented proposal for COLA adjustment to wages based on City Admin recommendation. Balda moved to approve; Hyde seconded; all approved. Kucher presented information regarding SCLS proposal for one-time adjustment to annual purge of old charges from 10years to 5. Hyde moved to refuse the 5-year purge. Campbell seconded. All approved.

Adjournment: Moved by Campbell. Seconded by Westedt. All approved.