

## **FDL Public Library Board Minutes**

**July 15, 2021**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call: On Thursday, July 15, 2021 in the Midstates Training Room, the regular meeting of the Fond du Lac Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:31 p.m. by Board President, Mel Kolstad. Trustees present: Tiffany Brault, Anne Deacy, Mel Kolstad, Dusty Krikau, Jerry Letcher, Jay Myrechuck, Sharon Simon and Brendan Wood-Taylor. Members absent: Marilyn Averbeck. Those also in attendance included Library Director Jon Mark Bolthouse, Administrative Assistant Laurie Moore and Assistant Director for Operations Lori Burgess.

2. Approval of Minutes:

A. Discussion and possible approval of minutes from the June Regular Meeting of the Board. Motion to approve the minutes as presented: Simon; second: Krikau; carried by unanimous voice vote.

3. Input: Thank you card with \$100 donation from a long time library user's family.

4. Comments from the Public: None.

5. Correspondence (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Bank Statement from Seefeld Trust for June 2021

6. Approval of Financial Reports:

A. List of bills paid since the last regular meeting: Motion to approve the bills as presented: Myrechuck; second: Krikau; carried by roll call vote: yes eight (8); noes none (0); absent and not voting one (1). Myrechuck questioned what Bassett does and Bolthouse informed him that they deal with our HVAC system.

B. Statement of Accounts: Motion to approve as presented: Krikau; second: Deacy; carried by unanimous voice vote.

7. Director's Report:

A. Monthly Library Statistics

\* Bolthouse informed the board that the Library did not get chosen for the EBSCO solar grant. He said the Office of Energy Innovation will be working on another round of Grants and the library may be looking at those again.

\* County funding has increased by over 4% for next year.

\* The City is set to receive ARPA funds, and they have included requests from the library in ways that the funds can be used. Simon questioned some of the ideas and their future sustainability. Bolthouse feels that some of the ideas he had would not have an issue with future sustainability. Simon questioned if the library could partner with another agency in regards to an embedded social service worker. Bolthouse did agree that would be a goal. A kiosk would be about \$5000 - \$6000 maintenance cost yearly. The future costs of additional hot spots are negligible. Large future costs would be associated with buying the orthodontic building, but this at least puts the idea out there as this being a possible idea for the future. Bolthouse and Twohig have had discussions in the past regarding him possibly moving his business.

\* \$10,000 Google Ad grant would take a bit of work to get going, but Krikau has heard of it and feels it would be easy for the library to get.

8. Old Business:

A. None

9. New Business:

A. Nominating Committee: Kolstad feels that the board needs to nominate someone new for treasurer to give Averbeck time to heal. Simon stated that she will still be on the library board for at least one more year, per the new school superintendent. Simon suggested checking the bylaws regarding the nominating committee, as it seems that things have been done differently the past few years. Possibly have a subcommittee made up at the August meeting to look over the

bylaws and see what changes need to be made. The slate of officers that was discussed to be approved at the August meeting is as follows:

President – Dusty Krikau

Vice President – Brendan Wood-Taylor

Secretary – Anne Deacy

Treasurer – Mel Kolstad

10. Other:

A. None. Bolthouse informed the board that library staff members found the manuscript for the “Foot of the Lake” book and will be looking for a committee to update the book. It has been discussed in the past, but until the manuscript was found, the library was not sure who owned the rights to the book. Also, Letcher informed the board that he and his wife will be moving to Virginia within the next few months.

11. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn: Simon; second: Wood-Taylor; carried by unanimous voice vote. Meeting was adjourned by Board President Mel Kolstad at 5:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Deacy  
Secretary