

FDL Public Library Board Minutes

December 18, 2025

1. Call to Order and Roll Call: On Thursday, December 18, in the Community Room and via Zoom, the regular meeting of the Fond du Lac Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:31 p.m. by Board Vice-President, Brendan Wood-Taylor. Trustees present: Tiffany Brault, Emily Hayes, Lauren Herlache, Dusty Krikau, Jay Myrechuck, Julie Schroeder, Sharon Simon, and Brendan Wood-Taylor. Members absent: None. Those also in attendance included Library Interim Director Lori Burgess, Youth Services Coordinator Sarah Davis, Public Relations Coordinator Ian Stepleton, Information and Outreach Services Coordinator Melanie Kearn, and Administrative Assistant Laurie Moore.

2. Comments from the Public: Davis expressed thanks to Myrechuck and Krikau for helping with the Winter Wonderland program. Herlache gave the suggestion to reach out to the Friends in the future when looking for volunteers for events.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. Discussion and possible approval of minutes from the November 20th Regular Meeting of the Board. Motion to approve all of the minutes presented: Myrechuck; second: Herlache; carried by unanimous voice vote.

4. Correspondence (Discussion and Possible Action)

A. Bank Statement from Seefeld Trust for November

5. Approval of Financial Reports:

A. List of bills paid since the last regular meeting: Motion to approve the bills as presented: Brault; second: Myrechuck; carried by roll call vote: yes seven (7); noes none (0); absent and not voting one (1). Herlache asked if the payment to the movie theater was a onetime fee. Stepleton stated it covers one year. Krikau asked what the relocation fees were for Strittmater. Moore stated they were moving expenses that were negotiated for when she was hired.

* Schroeder arrived at 4:36 p.m.

B. Statement of Accounts: Motion to approve the statement of accounts as presented: Herlache; second: Myrechuck; carried by unanimous voice vote.

6. Monthly Statistics

7. Administrative Reports:

* Herlache questioned what Value Line is for. Burgess stated it is a database of financial and stock investment information.

* Fuller shared that she has been meeting with Library Staff and City Department Heads, and will be contacting board members to meet with them individually in the new year.

* Brault thanked Lori Burgess for stepping in as the Interim Director.

* Brault asked how things are going with moving from Baker & Taylor to Ingram. Burgess shared that the transition had begun before summer already with the reference staff, and after summer for the children's staff. There were quite a few outstanding orders yet when Baker & Taylor closed and those orders were just canceled. Ange Newton had to take time to go through those orders to get items on order with Ingram. Ingram was initially swamped with orders and deliveries were slowing down to the influx of orders coming in. Staff are also checking options for other vendors we may be able to use. Brault asked if there was a concern about pricing increases, but Burgess is hoping it will all wash out in the end between discounts and shipping costs.

8. Old Business:

A. Behavior Policy Review: This will be moved to the January agenda of business.

9. New Business:

A. None.

10. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn: Simon; second: Hayes; carried by unanimous voice vote. Meeting was adjourned by Board Vice-President Brendan Wood-Taylor at 4:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Hayes
Secretary