



CARNEGIE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF STEUBEN COUNTY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of October 9, 2023, Meeting

Vice President Jeanine Samuelson called the October board meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Board members present were Gay Kirkton, Gayle Camp, and Laurie Gentry. Dave Olson, Travis Heavin and Sue Shollenberger were absent. There were no representatives from the media or the public.

Vice President Samuelson asked if the trustees had read the minutes of the September board meeting. Gay Kirkton moved and Laurie Gentry seconded to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Appropriation and Financial Reports

Sonya Dorris presented the appropriation and financial reports (copies attached). Following a discussion, Laurie Gentry moved and Gayle Camp seconded to approve the appropriation and financial reports. The motion carried.

Old Business

- a. Following a discussion, Gay Kirkton moved and Laurie Gentry seconded the motion to adopt the 2024 budget. The motion carried.

New Business

- a. Director Dorris presented the information regarding reducing the 2023 operating budget. After a discussion Gayle Camp moved and Gay Kirkton seconded to reduce the operating budget by \$154,516. The motion carried.
- b. Director Dorris presented information regarding the Public Library Internet Consortium. Following a discussion, Laurie Gentry moved and Gay Kirkton seconded to renew our Public Library Internet Consortium membership for 2024. The motion carried.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Director's Report

Director Dorris presented the Director's Report.

The LSC directors met last Friday. We are planning a staff training day for the spring. We are also going to approach the ILF advocacy committee about the cost of SBOA audits.

The cost has increased significantly since they started outsourcing the audits. Libraries are unable to get an estimate ahead of time, and there is no detailed breakdown of the costs. We could not legally deal with any other vendor under those terms. The costs are also not tiered by the library's size or budget. So a small library pays a large percentage of their budget for audits.

The LSC December meeting will be a lunch with local legislators.

Laurie Gentry moved and Gay Kirkton seconded the motion to approve the Director's Report. The motion carried.

As there was no further business, Gayle Camp moved and Laurie Gentry seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.