

**Minutes of the Waupun Public Library Board Meeting
Wednesday, December 15, 2021**

The Waupun Public Library Board was called to order by Beverly Martens, President, at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 15, 2021. Present were, Schultz, Gehl, Garcia, Jaeger, and Rohrer. Sullivan and Hintze were present via Zoom. Langford was present briefly, and left in order to attend another City meeting.

ARTICLE I: Motion by Gehl, supported by Martens, to accept the minutes of the November 17, 2021 meeting as written. Motion carried.

ARTICLE II: No personal appearances.

ARTICLE III: Monthly Statistics are beginning to look better.

- a. Circulated/downloaded/loaned: 105,848 items through the end of November.
- b. Curbside service: handled 1,781 transactions through the end of November.

ARTICLE IV: The Budget was discussed with no concerns noted.

ARTICLE V:

- a. Motion by Hintze, supported by Sullivan, to pay the December bills. Motion carried on 6-0 roll call.

ARTICLE VI: No Committee Reports.

ARTICLE VII: Librarians' Report.

a. **Interior Signage:** Bret and Pam met with Warrior Fabrication December 9th as the interior signage project continues.

b. **Programs:** "Crafting through Christmas" began November 9, with a weekly adult craft for 4 weeks. November 29, sled ornament; December 6, a mason jar luminary; December 13, Scandinavian trees; December 20, mint sugar scrub.

c. **Employment of minors:** The State Legislature is discussing a bill (SB 332) which would allow minors under 16 years old to work later in the evening and earlier in the morning. It has been moved from the Senate to the Assembly. For the library, if it passes, it would mean 14 and 15 year old Pages could work until 8 pm on a school night. However, they would still be limited to working 3 hours on a school night.

d. Thursday, December 23, while the Library is closed, Tru Clean Cleaners will be giving the 1st floor carpets a deep clean. They will concentrate on the area of the Library affected by the bathroom leak that occurred a couple of months ago

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ARTICLE VIII: Old Business:

a. **Meeting Rooms:** A lengthy discussion was held concerning opening the library meeting rooms to the public. In the discussion the Board acknowledged the wishes of many to use the rooms, but also recognized and addressed the concerns of increased levels of COVID at this time. Motion by Schultz, supported by Sullivan, that all meeting rooms remain closed to the public until the Board sees consistent data in a low number of COVID infections and is comfortable with the level of COVID infections in data received. Motion carried UNANIMOUSLY. Meeting rooms will continue to be on future agendas.

ARTICLE IX: No New Business.

ARTICLE X: Motion by Rohrer, supported by Gehl, to adjourn at 5:04 p.m. Motion carried.

***Next tentative meeting: Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. The Board will meet face to face at the Library, with some members attending virtually. Efforts will be made to provide availability for those unable to attend in person.**

SANDRA ROHRER Secretary
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