



BOARD MEETING MINUTES: October 24, 2024

2025 BUDGET ADOPTION

The 2025 Budget Adoption was held on Thursday, October 24, 2024 at the Peru Public Library. The adoption meeting was called to order by President Alison Paul at 6:30. The budget proposed for 2025 is \$588,895 with a .2484 tax rate. The budget for 2025 was unanimously adopted.

CALL TO ORDER - Board of Trustees

A Board of Trustees meeting of the Peru Public Library was held on Thursday, October 24, 2024. The meeting began at 6:35 PM and was presided over by President Alison Paul.

ATTENDEES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Regine Brindle, Regina McDowell, Bryan Maggart, Stacy Mize, and Alison Paul.

MEMBER APOLOGIES: Leslie Murphy and Gennell Taylor

STAFF PRESENT: Director, Maryann Farnham and Assistant Director, Michelle Spangler

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: County Commissioner, Brenda Weaver

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Review of the September Board Meeting Minutes and the September Policy Committee Minutes.

Motion to accept both sets of minutes was made by Maggart.

Motion seconded by McDowell.

Motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Review of the September financial statements, claims, and bank statements.

Motion to accept the financial statements, claims, and bank statements was made by Maggart.

Motion seconded by Brindle.

Motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Review of the 2025 Employee Health Insurance costs. A copy of the projected 2025 costs are included in the Board Pack.

- Change of Meeting Notice for the upcoming Holidays.
 - Thursday, November 21, 2024
 - Thursday, December 19, 2024
- The Director's evaluation will take place at 5:30 on November 21, 2024, prior to the November Board Meeting. This will be an executive session per Indiana Law. Farnham will email a copy of the evaluation to the board members.
- Renovation (Immediate Needs)
 - We are still working on getting new shelving for the Children's Room. We have received some renderings of shelving and feel that they do not suit our needs. We will be looking into other options.
 - Farnham has met with a couple of companies about replacing the windows in the Children's Room on the east side of the building and in both the small meeting rooms. She is hoping to present estimates to the Board of Trustees in the near future.
- Renovation (Future Projects)
 - None at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

- The Employee Christmas Party will be on December 6th at 6:30. Board Members are invited to attend.

There being no further business on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned by President Paul at 7:02 PM.

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Michelle Spangler, Assistant Director

MINUTES REVISED BY: Regine Brindle, Secretary

SECRETARY APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

(Signature and Date)

Regine Brindle
Peru Public Library Board of Trustees Secretary