



South Milwaukee Library
1907 10th Avenue
South Milwaukee, WI 53172
P (414) 768-8195
W smlibrary.org

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes Regular Meeting

April 24, 2025

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

President Maass called the regular meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Present: DeMont, Fenger, Maass, Mathews, Meidam, Reszel, Sobolik

Library Staff: Meyer

Guests: Patrick Brever, City Administrator

2. Adoption of Agenda (Action)

Motion by Fenger/Reszel to adopt the agenda as presented. By voice vote, all voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

3. Public Comment & Correspondence (Information)

Public comment shared.

4. Board President's Report (Information)

President Maass thanked trustees for attending the April 15th Common Council meeting for the presentation and discussion from the Wisconsin Policy Forum.

5. Friends Update (Information)

DeMont shared about recent and upcoming Friends events and fundraisers.

6. Committee Reports (Information)

None.

7. Minutes from the March 2025 Regular Meeting (Action)

Motion by Sobolik/Reszel to approve, receive, and place on file the March 2025 Regular Meeting minutes. By voice vote, all voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

8. Expenditures & Financial Statement for Operating Budget for March 2025 (Action)

Motion by Meidam/DeMont to approve expenditures from the Operating Account for March 2025 in the amount of \$51,136.15 and receive and place on file the Financial Statement for March 2025. By voice vote, all voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

9. Expenditures & Financial Statement for Library Trust/Gift Accounts for March 2025 (Action)

Motion by Meidam/Sobolik to approve expenditures from the Trust/Gift Account for March 2025 in the amount of \$1,976.72 and receive and place on file the Library Trust/Gift Account Financial Statement for March 2025. By voice vote, all voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

10. Financial Statement Corrections for December & End of Year 2024 (Action)

Motion by Meidam/Fenger to approve the amended December 2024 Financial Statement. By voice vote, all voted in the affirmative. Motion carried. Motion by Meidam/Reszel to approve the amended End of Year 2024 Financial Statement. By voice vote, all voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

11. Library Director's Report (Action)

Meyer shared updates from the Library Director's report. Motion by Reszel/Fenger to place the Library Director's report on file. By voice vote, all voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

12. DPI New Library Directors Training Camp (Information)

Meyer shared a report on the DPI New Library Directors Training Camp attended in early April.

13. Update on IMLS Funding (Information)

Meyer shared articles from MCFLS on the status of IMLS funding and its impact on states if cut.

14. Trustee Bylaws Review (Information/Action)

Three-year review of trustee bylaws. Edits were suggested and will be brought back at May meeting.

15. Wisconsin Policy Forum Study (Information)

City Administrator Brever spoke about the Common Council meeting and presentation by the Wisconsin Policy Forum. The Council approved the creation of a committee that will examine the options further. Trustees Maass and DeMont will serve as the Library Board representatives to the committee.

16. Square & Vending Prices (Information/Action)

Meyer shared suggested change in prices for vending to better accommodate the Square fees. Trustees agreed to change the price on drinks to \$1.50 and to keep snack prices the same.

17. Envelope & Folders Sale (Information/Action)

Meyer shared that staff frequently receive requests from the public to purchase items like folders, envelopes, and stamps. Trustees shared their support in starting this small fundraiser with envelopes and folders.

18. Children's Area Behavior (Information)

Meyer shared an update on the behavior concerns that have arisen in regards to the children's room play area.

19. Adjourn

Motion by Reszel/Fenger at 6:21pm. By voice vote, all voted in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Bethany Meyer, Ex-Officio Secretary/Library Director

Date Approved: May 19, 2025