Selover Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Held February 19, 2025

The Selover Public Library Board of Trustees met at the library on Wednesday, February 19, 2025 for their regular monthly meeting. In attendance were Jon Jensen, Jeff Jordan, Joyce Ray, Ronda Siegfried, Candace Thompson, Kristin Weaver, and Director Martha Wall.

President Jon Jensen called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M. and welcomed everyone.

The agenda was approved.

The minutes of the January 15, 2025 meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's Report for January 2025 was presented by Fiscal Officer Jeff Jordan. It was accepted and a copy may be seen in the fiscal officer's file.

OLD BUSINESS: The Time Off Policies for Employee Handbook portion has been amended and updated.

25-02: Joyce Ray made the motion to accept the changes to the Time Off Policies for Employee Handbook. Jeff Jordan seconded the motion. Motion passed with Jensen – aye, Jordan – aye, Ray – aye, Siegfried – aye, Thompson – aye, Weaver – aye.

Director Wall reported on hiring Kelsey Walters as a new staff member.

25-03: Candace Thompson made the motion to hire Kelsey Walters effective February 4^{th} , 2025. Motion was seconded by Ronda Siegfried. Motion passed with Jensen – aye, Jordan – aye, Ray – aye, Siegfried – aye, Thompson – aye, Weaver – aye.

Director Wall reported that Sharon Monigold has resigned, effective February 8th, 2025.

NEW BUSINESS: Jeff Jordan explained that the property taxes for the library are due February 21, 2025 and the new parcel that was purchased June, 2024 has not yet been certified as being exempt from property taxes. All of the appropriate exemption paperwork has been filed, but this process could take several months to finalize.

25-04: Ronda Siegfried made the motion to pay the property taxes that are due on the new parcel and to enclose a letter stating that the exemption request is still pending and any money received should be refunded after the exemption request is completed. Joyce Ray seconded the motion. Motion passed with Jensen – aye, Jordan – aye, Ray – aye, Siegfried – aye, Thompson – aye, Weaver – aye.

The board discussed that the neighbors adjacent to the newly acquired property have a fence that encroaches onto the library's new parcel. A letter is being drafted to prevent them from taking adverse possession of the enclosed property.

There is an upcoming workshop being put on by the Ohio Library Council and it was recommended that new board members attend. The OLC meeting will take place on March 8, 2025.

Director Wall discussed some information about discussions happening in the Ohio House of Representatives in regards to the funding of public libraries in Ohio. She passed along information from the Ohio Library Council and encouraged all of the board members to contact their representatives to stress the importance of public libraries.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Director Wall explained that she is involved in Strategic Planning with Ohio Net, Cardington-Lincoln Public Library, and Wornstaff Memorial Public Library about our goals moving forward. This will be a long process and she will keep us updated as they continue to meet and discuss the future.

Library Statistics for January 2025 were shared.

Images of the following activities sponsored by the library were shared: Story Time, Outreach Story Time, Cooking with Laurie, Crafts with Laurie, Homeschool Book Club, Robotics Level 2, 3D Printing Class, Gardening Class, Library Lovers' Month, Officially Speaking, Bingo for Books, Eat and Learn about Chocolate, Free Trees for Kids, Nursing Home Outreach, Karen's Kids Outreach, Selover Shelfies Book Club.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Jon Jensen, President Kristin Weaver, Secretary