

Green County Library Board Meeting
Monday, June 22 2020, 5:30 p.m.
The meeting was conducted via teleconference (Zoom)

MINUTES

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 5:30 by President Ellefson
2. Roll call (those present via teleconference): Craig Ellefson, Mike Furgal, Ann Mueller, Anita Huffman, Beth Blahut. Library directors in attendance: Holly Lague, Bronna Lehmann, Carolyn Seaver, Katrina Linde-Moriarty, Angela Noel, Suzann Holland. SCLS Consultant Mark Ibach
3. Election of officers (president, vice president, secretary): Huffman made a motion to retain the current positions: President: Craig Ellefson; Vice-president: Ann Mueller; Secretary: Beth Blahut. Mueller seconded. Motion carried.
4. Approval of agenda: Mueller made a motion to approve the agenda. Huffman seconded. Motion carried.
5. Approval of minutes of the February 24, 2020 meeting: Mueller moved to approve the minutes; Huffman seconded; motion carried.
6. Public comments: None
7. Board correspondence: None
8. Reports:
 - a. South Central Library System: by Mark Ibach: Adjacent county reimbursement requests were finalized and confirmed by all county clerks. Registration for Trustee Training Week is now available at <https://www.wistrusteetraining.com/>.
 - b. County libraries:
 - Monroe report by Suzann Holland - They have started curb-side pick-up and it's going well. The staff has been working 4 days/week. They're planning to re-open July 1.
 - Belleville report by Bronna Lehmann - see attachment
 - New Glarus report by Holly Lague - see attachment
 - Monticello report by Katrina Linde-Moriarty - see attachment
 - Albany report by Carolyn Seaver - see attachment
 - Brodhead report by Angela Noel - 90 people signed up for the summer reading program which is underway, including use of Beanstack APP, virtual presentations, grab-n-go kits/activities. Services started up in late April, including limited curb-side pick-up. On July 1 express services are planned to start up. There is a plan to re-open in phases. They are installing plexiglass barriers and planning other means to direct traffic patterns.

Albany report by Carolyn Seaver - They plan to open the stacks July 1st. They have been having Facebook storytimes and limited curbside pick-up. They have plans for a story walk and grab-n-go craft bags. The staff is prepping for opening up. There has been training to assist staff in dealing with new situations that may be challenging.

9. Old/new business:

a. Discussion: 2021 draft budget

The proposal is for 70%. The numbers have gone up for adjacent counties and rural usages. Andrea Sweeny (Green Co. Board financial director) had questions as to why the budget went up so much. Ellefson said that he is willing to talk to the finance committee to explain the budget changes. Mueller stated that everyone will be prepared for budget cuts. Furgal made a motion to submit the budget as is. The motion was carried by all saying, "Aye."

It was determined that we should prepare two handouts to send to the County Board this year:

1. An annual report

2. A list of this year's activities that describe what the libraries are doing for communities during the pandemic. Holland will spearhead this handout (Ellefson suggests a single page). Ellefson suggests printing the handouts in color, so let's print these ourselves rather than have the County Board do the printing.

b. Linde-Moriarty is trying to find ways to reach out to county groups to inform the public about what libraries are offering right now. She has used the UW Extensions 4-H newsletter to advertise. She suggests that all the directors consider ways to get out messages about library services at this time.

10. Next meeting: 5:30 p.m. Monday, August 24, 2020, via Zoom teleconference

11. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm

-Beth Blahut, Secretary