



Dane County

Minutes - Final Unless Amended by Committee

Library Board

Consider:

Who benefits? Who is burdened?

Who does not have a voice at the table?

How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?

Thursday, January 5, 2023

12:00 PM

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Interpreters must be requested in advance; please see the bottom of the agenda for more information.

Los intérpretes deben solicitarse con anticipación; consulte el final de la agenda para obtener más información.

Yuav tsuam tau thov txog cov neeg txhais lus hau ntej; thov saib hauv qab kawg ntawm qhov txheej txheem rau cov ntaub ntawv ntxiv.

A. Call To Order

OWENS CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 12:05PM.

Chris Hopp, Verona Library Board President, was in attendance.

Present 6 - JOEL GRATZ, REX A OWENS, MICHELLE JENSEN, JENNIFER CONROY,
JIMMY CHEFFEN, and MELISSA RATCLIFF

Absent 1 - AHMAD MOGHADAM

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2022](#) APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 1, 2022 MINUTES
[MIN-491](#)

Attachments: [2022 1201 MINUTES](#)

A motion was made by JENSEN, seconded by CONROY, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - GRATZ, OWENS, JENSEN, CONROY, CHEFFEN and RATCLIFF

Absent: 1 - MOGHADAM

C. Action Items

[2022](#) APPROVAL DECEMBER 2022 EXPENDITURE/FINANCE REPORT
[ACT-268](#)

Attachments: [2022 12](#)

A motion was made by JENSEN, seconded by GRATZ, that the Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - GRATZ, OWENS, JENSEN, CONROY, CHEFFEN and RATCLIFF

Absent: 1 - MOGHADAM

[2022](#) REPORT OF LIBRARY DIRECTOR EVALUATION COMMITTEE
[ACT-270](#) CLOSED SESSION: The Library Director Evaluation Subcommittee may go into closed session for purposes of considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility per WI Statute 19.85(1)(c).

JENSEN moved, seconded by RATCLIFF, to move this item to follow ITEM G; motion carried.

A motion was made by GRATZ, seconded by CONROY, to enter into closed session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - GRATZ, OWENS, JENSEN, CONROY, CHEFFEN and RATCLIFF

Absent: 1 - MOGHADAM

[2022](#) EXIT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION
[ACT-271](#)

A motion was made by CONROY, seconded by GRATZ, that the Action Item be exit out of closed session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - GRATZ, OWENS, JENSEN, CONROY, CHEFFEN and RATCLIFF

Absent: 1 - MOGHADAM

D. Discussion

[2022](#)
[DISC-029](#)

DISCUSSION OF LIBRARY TAX LEVY AND MINIMUM APPROPRIATION

Herold reported that Corporation Counsel opined that the Library Board has no authority to implement policy regarding minimum appropriation WI State Statute 43.64. Visitor Chris Hopp pointed out that the Board could reduce the DCLS appropriation. President Owens stated that DCLS needs to provide service to the county and that the appropriation includes reimbursements to Dane County libraries. Hopp asked how the library levy is arrived at; President Owens confirmed that it was the setting of the Dane County Library Service budget that includes reimbursements for libraries, as well as operations. Hopp asked what expenses qualify as fundable for minimum appropriation; Herold responded that some library budgets include fees for other department services to the library, such as public works or payroll administration.

This discussion was placed on file.

E. Reports to Committee[2022](#)
[RPT-606](#)

JANUARY 2023 DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Attachments: [2023 0105 DR](#)

This report was placed on file

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

NEXT MEETING: FEBRUARY 2, 2023

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda**H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law****I. Adjourn**

A motion was made by JENSEN, seconded by RATCLIFF, to adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - GRATZ, OWENS, JENSEN, CONROY, CHEFFEN and RATCLIFF

Absent: 1 - MOGHADAM

Respectfully submitted by Tracy Herold, pending approval of the Library Board.