

West Branch Public Library
Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes
July 7, 2016

Amy Guhl
Jan Carter

Meeting Commenced at 6:30 PM

Present: Amy Guhl, Monica Tylee, Michelle Carter, Cary Wiesner, Nick Shimmin (Director)

Minutes: Upon a motion by Trustee Carter seconded by Trustee Guhl, the June 9 meeting minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

Finance: Director Shimmin submitted the July finance report. Trustee Guhl, with Trustee Wiesner seconding, moved the report be approved as submitted. This motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report: Director Shimmin reported that the library has been busy so far this summer. One highlight is the Summer Reading Program reaching a new high for attendance.

Internet Use Policy Review: The library's internet use policy's mandated three-year review was due this year. After review, Trustee Guhl moved that the policy be left unchanged per Director Shimmin's recommendation. Trustee Carter seconded this motion, which passed unanimously.

Library Board Opening: The board discussed possible appointees for the vacant library board position. Several names were mentioned.

Draft Long-Range Plan: Director Shimmin presented a draft of the new long-range plan for discussion. None of the board members had suggestions for changes.

Year End Statistics/Finances: Among the highlights of director Shimmin's report, attendance was up over last year, though still down from historic highs. Trustee Guhl asked if attendance may be down because more is now available online, which Director Shimmin acknowledged could be the case. He noted that there seem to be fewer kids here after school, which may be a good thing because there were probably often too many here before. Director Shimmin also said that WBPL may have the best program attendance of any library of its size in Iowa.

Meeting Adjourned 7:05 PM.

Next Meeting: Thursday, August 11, 2016, 6:30 PM Library Community Room