

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at the Vilas County Courthouse at 9:30A.M. by Chairman Ron De Bruyne with the following committee members present: Leon Kukanich, Mary Platner and Ralph J. Sitzberger and Erv Teichmiller.

Others present during this meeting: Jim Trojanowski, representing the Northern Waters Library System; June Franzen, Director, Phelps Library; Julie Zelten, Director, Land O' Lakes Library; Cherie Sanderson, Director, Boulder Junction Library; Cela McGinnis, Director, Winchester Library; Diana Anderson, Director, Olsen Memorial Library; Charles Figer, President, Plum Lake Library Board and Vilas County Clerk David Alleman.

Open meeting notices and quorum present verified by the Chairman.

Approve Library Committee agenda to be discussed in any order by the Chair:

Motion by M. Platner, 2nd by R. Sitzberger to approve the agenda with the order of discussion at the Chair's discretion. All voting aye. Carried.

Approve Library Committee minutes of the March 16, 2009 meeting:

Motion by E. Teichmiller, 2nd by M. Platner to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2009 meeting. All voting aye. Carried.

Introductions:

The Chairman called for introductions from all present.

County Library Plan:

a. Mission statement and goals:

J. Trojanowski briefly repeated his comments made at the previous meeting related to the need for a current county wide library plan.

c. Organization and planning process:

E. Teichmiller recommended that the previously provided planning outline be condensed from 6 planning sessions as proposed, down to 4 sessions. Planning sessions 1 and 2 would become Session 1. Planning session 3, including the drafting of the document, would remain as Session 3. Planning sessions 4 and 5 would become Session 4. Those present all agreed that this would help to streamline the planning process. It was also felt that the planning committee should not author the draft of the plan. J. Trojanowski will author the plan based upon input from the planning committee. The planning committee will present the draft of the plan to the Library Committee at the time of the public hearing. The Library Committee, upon approval of the plan, will request approval from the Vilas County Board with a resolution. It was felt that this process could take 4 to 6 months. After discussion, it was deemed reasonable to expect the planning process to conclude in time for a public hearing in late July 2009, with a resolution for County Board approval being presented at the August 2009 full board meeting.

b. Planning Committee participants and stakeholders:

J. Trojanowski recommended limiting the committee to 10 members. Diana Anderson felt that 11 to 13 participants was a more realistic number, due to the size of the county and the number of local libraries. The stakeholder recommendations were discussed by the Committee members and librarians present. The following Library Planning Committee list of 13 participants was proposed:

1. Diana Anderson – Olsen Library Director
2. Cherie Sanderson – Boulder Jct. Library Director
3. Cindy Geib – Trustee, Land O' Lakes Library

4. Charles Figer – President, Plum Lake Library Board
5. Ken Middleton – Trustee, Presque Isle Library (tentative)
6. Dick Held - Arbor Vitae Trustee, Olsen Library (tentative)
7. Erv Teichmiller – Vilas County Library Committee
8. Mary Platner – Vilas County Library Committee
9. Representative patron from Land O'Lakes – to be determined
10. Representative patron from Manitowish Waters – to be determined
11. Representative patron from Winchester – to be determined
12. Representative patron from Eagle River – to be determined
13. Representative and Tribal member from Lac du Flambeau – to be determined

It was also felt that a representative from the Minocqua Public Library and from the Nicolet College Library be invited to participate as ex-officio members.

Motion by E. Teichmiller, 2nd by M. Platner to approve the proposed list of the Library Planning Committee participants. All voting aye. Carried. The Planning Committee is to meet independently of the Library Committee, and will endeavor to create a Vilas County Library Plan to be presented to the Library Committee for public hearing.

Area library reports:

The Librarians in attendance gave verbal and written reports regarding recent activities and circulation data for each of their libraries.

Letters and Communications:

Nothing presented.

Future meeting dates:

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, July 30, 2009 at 6:30 P.M. to be held (tentatively) at the St. Germain Community Center.

Adjournment:

Motion by L. Kukanich, 2nd by R. Sitzberger to adjourn. All voting aye. Carried.
Meeting adjourned at 11:28 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

David R. Alleman
Vilas County Clerk