

**MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023 – 2:00 P.M.**  
**OCONTO COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES BOARD**  
**GILLETT PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**200 E MAIN STREET**  
**GILLETT, WI 54124**  
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*(Draft minutes, not yet approved)*

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** , Alan Sleeter, Oconto County Board of Supervisors Chair; Susan Mogged, Oconto Falls Library;; Vicki Gooding, at Large; LoAnn Elbe, Suring Library; Emily Miller, Oconto Unified Schools; Shannon Stoner, Gillett Public; Library; Kathryn Essermann, Lakes Country Library

**COMMITTEE ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Erik Pritzl, County Administrator; Amy Peterson, Farnsworth Public Library; Jean Grosse, Suring Library Council; Tracy Vreeke, Nicolet Federated Library System; April de la Ruelle, Lena Public Library; Rachel Pascoe, Oconto Falls Library

**TIME MEETING BEGAN:** 2:00 p.m.

**1. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Gooding welcomed everyone and introductions were made.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**A. CHANGE OF SEQUENCE** – None

**B. REMOVAL OF ITEMS** – None.

Motion by Elbe/Sleeter to approve the agenda. The motion was voted on and carried.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD AUGUST 10, 2022**

Motion by Sleeter/Elbe to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held August 10, 2022 as presented. The motion was voted on and carried.

**4. OPEN FORUM**

No open items.

**5. COMMUNICATIONS - None**

**6. COUNTY LIBRARY REPORTS**

Verbal reports were given by: Suring, Lakes Country, Oconto Falls, Gillett and Lena Libraries. Noted new Librarian, April de la Ruelle in Lena and Amy Peterson, formerly the Librarian in Lena, is now the Librarian in Oconto.

**7. County Administrator Report**

**7.1. Library Services Board Appointments**

Update presented, no further action needed.

**7.2. 2023 County Budget – Library Services**

Update on budget – funding stable for 2023. Discussion followed.

**8. Discovery Guide Advertisement**

Reviewed the ad. Next time take off hours, put on agenda for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter review and take off info soup.

**9. LIBRARY SERVICES SYSTEM DESIGN DISCUSSION**

Vreeke, Nicolet federated Library System, gave an overview of funding options. Could the annual report data be used to get state formula? Consolidating levy implementations need to be considered. 2.1% of levy calculations is an issue. Need to review State formula, for the following in March/April, funding formula, unrepresented population and Brown County Library payments. One group consolidating and creating a library in the lower part of the County. Need to understand costs/revenues and review formula for issues.

**10. NEW BUSINESS TO CONSIDER FOR NEXT MEETING**

- Marketing Plan
- Subcommittee report of County Library Services System Design

**11. SELECT DATE/LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING**

04/10/2023 at 2:00 pm @ Gillett Community Center, 204 E Main Street in Gillett.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Elbe Sleeter to adjourn at 3:55 pm. The motion was voted on and carried.