

WAUPACA COUNTY
LIBRARY PLANNING COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 30, 2014, 6:30 PM

Walter Burkhalter called the meeting to order at 6:32

Present: Committee Members: Patricia Craig, Joseph McClone, Peg Burington and Jamie Hein Also present: Walter Burkhalter, OWLS Executive Director

Walter Burkhalter read the Open Meeting Statement

Patricia Craig moved to accept the Agenda. 2.) Peg Burington All in favor

Jamie Hein was nominated as Chairperson and Peg Burington was nominated as Secretary

Jamie Hein moved to accept the nominations. Pat Craig moved to close nominations. All were in favor of the nominations.

There was general discussion about the 2010-2014 Waupaca County Library Service Plan. They talked about maintaining the 100% level for reimbursement that was reached in 2014, in compliance with the Plan. Walter Burkhalter said the formula for calculating cost per circulation excludes donations, fees and fines. Capital improvements are also not included. Walter talked about including a capital component in the new plan, which would allow funding for computers, building projects and upgrades. The Committee rejected the idea.

There was discussion about the percentage increase for libraries being greater than the percentage increase for the County. Committee agreed to maintain the same formula and 100% reimbursement level as in the previous Plan.

There was general discussion about counties adjacent to Waupaca County reimbursing for their resident library use. Walter Burkhalter explained that the new law, Act 157 allows billing of adjacent consolidated libraries if that county bills any other library in an adjacent library first. Walter Burkhalter said there was an opportunity for OWLS to work with South Central Library System to reach a compromise. Efforts have been made in the past to secure funding from Portage County but the Library Director and County Supervisors have not been interested in reimbursing Waupaca County for their Portage County resident use.

There was general discussion about having the Librarians of the seven Waupaca County libraries making a presentation to the County Board and to the Waupaca County Towns Association.

Walter Burkhalter said he would update the existing plan. The Committee scheduled the next meeting for Monday, November 17 at 2:00 pm, to take place at the Waupaca Area Public Library.

Patricia Craig moved to adjourn at 7:31. 2.) Joseph McClone All were in favor