Calhoun Memorial Library Board Meeting Minutes Jan. 9, 2024

Minutes of the Calhoun Memorial Library Board of Director's Meeting: Jan. 9, 2024

The board meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. on Jan. 9, 2024, by President Jean Wacker at the Calhoun Memorial Library.

Members present: Louise Brown, Jean Wacker, Nancy Nix, John Banks, and Rachel Westberg. Also present were Friends of the Library Board President Barb Ryan and Library Director Emily Resendiz. Not present were Brandy Johnson and Jeff Martin.

The agenda was approved by motion of Rachel Westberg, seconded by John Banks. Motion carried.

There were no in-person public comments.

Minutes of the December 2023 board meeting were presented to board members in printed form. Motion was made by John Banks, seconded by Nancy Nix, to accept the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Director Emily Resendiz, on behalf of Treasurer Brandy Johnson, presented the expenditures, year-to-date budget, Act 150 and checking account reports for December. Motion made by Louise Brown, seconded by John Banks, to approve the report. Motion carried.

Library Director Emily Resendiz presented petty cash, statistics, and activities as part of the director's reports. Friends President Barb Ryan provided an update from the Friends of the Library.

Rachel Westberg, school representative, reported on Chetek-Weyerhaeuser school activities.

John Banks presented a report as the county representative.

The board discussed the procedure for closing the library due to inclement weather. Resendiz discussed closing the library if the school district was closed. Wacker noted we should have a formal policy, and the board agreed to table the matter until next month to make a more formal proposal.

Expanding library hours continued to be discussed, but no formal action was taken by the board.

The board discussed a newly proposed list of closed dates and paid holiday hours for the 2024 calendar year. A motion was made by Nancy Nix, seconded by John Banks, to approve the dates as proposed with the addition of Friday, July 5 and Thursday, Dec. 26.

The board discussed a request from the county to approve a per diem for county representatives appointed to the library board. The discussion centered on whether or not the per diem would come out of library Act 150 funds or other county funding. No action was taken, but the matter would be up again for discussion at the February board meeting.

With a motion from John Banks and a second by Nancy Nix, the board approved additional hours and a wage increase for a new employee who had been with the library for 90 days. The motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Louise Brown Johnson, seconded by Rachel Westberg. Motion carried; meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel Westberg