

West Seneca Public Library

Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

January 15, 2025 @ 4:00pm in the Large Community Room

A. Call of the Roll

- Present: Jessica Casamassa, Cynthia Johnson, William Josefiak, Jennifer Dobe, Amanda Cleesattel
- Excused:
- Guest(s): Robert Alessi (Director)

B. Approval / Changes to Agenda: none

C. Minutes of Preceding Meeting (December 4, 2024):

Motion to approve: William Josefiak

Second: Jessica Casamassa

Ayes: all

Nays: none

D. Nominations and Elections of Officers:

- William Josefiak, President; Jessica Casamassa, Vice President; Jennifer Dobe, Treasurer; Amanda Cleesattel, Secretary; Cindy Johnson, At-Large

Motion to approve board positions without changes from previous year:

Motion: William Josefiak

Second: Jennifer Dobe

Ayes: All

Nays: none

E. Report of the Director

See November & December 2024 documents posted

- Charcuterie was a success and presenter will be booked again for April
- Rowan attended NYLA conference and found it helpful
- First “noon-years eve” party was a success with 49 attendees
- 2025 county library budget approved

F. Report of the Treasurer:

See November & December 2024 documents posted

- County account statement November & December 2024
- Local account statement November & December 2024
- Summary of accounts November & December 2024
- Check abstract and approvals November & December 2024

Motion to approve: William Josefiak

Second: Jennifer Dobe

Ayes: all

Nays: none

G. Report of the Friends of the Library:

- Events coming up in January: Dogman party, seed swap, and Lissa Marie Redmond
- Next meeting: March 13th at 6:30pm

H. Report of the President:

- ACT – no meetings until May 2025 at Central Library

I. Old Business:

- Lanyards – Jessica will create a design in Canva

J. New Business:

- West Seneca branch exploring “bad art” night event to host (Central library has hosted)

Motions for review and approval:

- Approval of 2025 local accounts budget
- Request for \$300-350 application and about \$75 annual to join sustainable libraries initiative certification program
- Request to purchase additional citizen science kits due to demand with Assemblyman Burke funding (holds on current ones) - purchase: ie: space explorer kit, cloud observations, birdwatching, measuring light in the night, monitoring air quality etc
- Request for approval use Rotary funds to purchase additional board books (\$500) and juvenile paperbacks (\$500) to replace books that are no longer suitable for circulation.

Motion to approve: Jennifer Dobe

Second: William Josefiak

Ayes: All

Nays: none

K. Public Comment: none; no community members present

Adjournment @ 5:20 pm

Motion to approve: William Josefiak

Second: Amanda Cleesattel

Ayes: all

Nays: none

Next Regular Meeting: February 19th, 2025 @ 4pm

Respectfully submitted by Amanda Cleesattel, Secretary