

Minutes of the Meeting of
Argenta-Oreana Public Library District
Board of Trustees
January 25, 2016 at Argenta

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by President John White. Library Board members present were Jackie Goepinger, Matt Honnold, Aaron Klepzig, Ron Ioerger, Anna Mae Roberts and Barbara Light. Also in attendance was Donna Schaal, Library Director.

The board received a thank you letter from Carol Roberson for flowers sent at the death of her mother-in-law.

The Board reviewed the minutes from the November 16, 2015, meeting. Aaron's last name was misspelled and there were two stray words in paragraph 8 of the minutes. Barbara will correct the minutes and send a corrected copy to Donna. Ron moved that the minutes be approved as corrected. Matt seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.

The Board reviewed the November bill list. Anna Mae asked about a payroll check to Charla Stone for \$2080.44. Donna responded that the check should have been for approximately \$150.00. The Board agreed to table the November bill approvals until Donna can check with the accountants about the correct amount of the check.

The Board reviewed the October Bookkeeper's report. Anna Mae moved to approve the October report. Matt seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.

The Board moved to table the November and December Bookkeeper's reports until the issue of the amount of the payroll check to Charla Stone is resolved.

The Board reviewed the October Treasurer's report. Jackie moved to approve the October report. Aaron seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.

The Board moved to table the November and December Treasurer's reports until the issue of the amount of the payroll check to Charla Stone is resolved.

Donna Schaal presented the director's report. Donna reviewed the circulation numbers. She reported attendance for programs held during the months of November and December. AOPLD annual replacement tax for 2015 of \$518.35 has been received. The library received an anonymous donation of \$1,000.00 for audiobooks. The library receive the 3rd installment of the levy from Macon and DeWitt counties. Donna reported that the flag pole in Argenta broke. The flag pole was repaired. Donna reported that AOPLD has filed the documents for tax exempt status in Macon County. Donna attended several meeting during the month. On January 18 she met with Scott Docherty and Matt Foster regarding a possible sidewalk from the school to the Oreana branch of the library.

There were no items of old business.

There were 3 items of new business. The first item of new business was the review of closed session board minutes. Barbara reported that there was no reason to open the closed minutes for the past 6 months as the only closed session held by the board involved personnel issues. These minutes remain closed as provided in the Open Meetings Act Exemption - Personnel 5 LCS 120/2 (c) (1). Donna presented the annual "Statement of Economic Interests" to the board to be filled out and signed. Donna will take the forms to the Macon County offices and return the receipts to the board members.

The final order of new business was discussion of the buildings at both Oreana and Argenta. Donna brought a list of items that she would like the board to consider. An outline of the discussion follows:

- I. Decide the fate of the Argenta building
 - a. Renovation
 - b. New building
- II. Look at needed upgrades for the Oreana building
- III. Examine different type of financing available to libraries. Donna also gave the Board a breakdown of the money possibly available in different AOPLD funds.

The Board and Donna agreed that this topic needs more in depth discussion. The board will meet in a special session on March 7, 2015 at Argenta to further discuss the future of the two library branches of the AOPLD.

There was one item of Miscellaneous Business. The Board has received another "Notice of Annexation" from the City of Decatur. An email was sent to City Manager Tim Gleason asking how much more annexation Decatur expected to do in the area of the AOLPD. Mr. Gleason emailed back that the city would annex as they saw necessary.

Jackie moved to adjourn the meeting. Aaron seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 PM.

A special meeting of the Board will be held on March 7, 2016, at Argenta. (To discuss building issues with both building of the AOPLD).

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday March 28, 2016 at Argenta at 4:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Barbara Light