

**PIONEERLAND LIBRARY SYSTEM  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, January 17, 2019, 7:00 p.m. in the Willmar Public Library Multi-Purpose Room

The January 17, 2019 meeting of the Pioneerland Library System Board was called to order by Nordaune at 7:04 p.m. A quorum was present.

Guests present: Jake Fejedelem, Renville County Head Librarian

**The following slate of officers for 2019** was prepared by the Nominating Committee and proposed by Nordaune:

1. Board Chair: Ron Antony (Yellow Medicine County)
2. Vice Chair: Brent Olson (Big Stone County)
3. Secretary: Cathy Baumgartner (City of Olivia)
4. Treasurer: Ron Shimanski (McLeod County)
5. Finance Chair: Dennis Ulrich (City of Renville)

A call was made for nominations from the floor. After hearing none, the slate of nominees was approved on a motion by B. Olson, seconded by J. Sandberg.

**The following six (6) nominees** to the Finance Committee, in addition to board chair, finance chair and treasurer, were prepared by the Nominating Committee and proposed by Nordaune:

1. Abigail Duly (Kandiyohi County)
2. Brad Johnson (City of Benson)
3. John Maatz (Lac qui Parle County)
4. Todd Hay (Chippewa County)
5. Steve Ahmann (Kandiyohi County)
6. Joe Tacheny (Meeker County)

A call was made for nominations from the floor. After hearing none, the proposed Finance Committee was approved on a motion by Shimanski, seconded by Benoit.

Oaths of Office sheets were distributed for board trustees and officers to sign and return. After appointment of new officers, Vice Chair B. Olson conducted the meeting.

**The agenda** was approved on a motion by Benoit, seconded by Asmus.

**Minutes** of the October 18, 2018 Board meeting and December 20, 2018 Executive/Finance Committee were approved on a motion by Shimanski, seconded by Hay.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**The preliminary December 2018 financial report** was approved on a motion from Benoit, seconded by Asmus.

**Bills and check registers** were approved on a motion by Shimanski, seconded by Erickson.

**2019 Final Budget** was approved on a motion by Johnson, seconded by Fagnano.

#### **PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

There was no report from the personnel committee.

**Investment Portfolio Presentation** was given by Jeffrey Schultz of Bremer Financial Services. He gave a thorough review of Pioneerland Library System's investments and the process they use in determining good investment options.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**PLS "Year in Review"** presentation was given by Director Ortega and covered highlights for our member libraries in 2018, as well as efficiency and collection statistics for the system.

**2019 Committee Preference Forms** were asked to be sent in to Director Ortega.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Library Legislative Day: Director Ortega shared about Library Legislative Day coming up on February 26, 2019. Wilde will be attending, and there is an option for virtual participation.

Director Ortega also informed the board that she will follow the recommendation of the Executive Finance Committee to reduce the hours of the Renville City Library based on a reduction in funding.

#### **Future Board and Executive Meetings:**

Next Board meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. (Finance 6:30).

Executive/Finance Meetings: February 21 and March 21 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:04 p.m.

Mary Bregel, Recording Secretary