

PIONEERLAND LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD MEETING

Thursday, April 17, 2025, 7:00 p.m. Willmar Public Library Multipurpose Room

The April 17, 2025, meeting of the Pioneerland Library System board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chair Duane Anderson.

Admin Staff present: Laurie Ortega, Executive Director

Guests attending: Andrew Bregar, Head Librarian, Willmar; Cindy Hendrickx, Head Librarian Appleton.

Roll call and introductions were made.

The agenda was approved on a motion by VanOrt, seconded by Fritsche.

Minutes of the February 20, 2025, board meeting and the March 20, 2025, Executive/Finance Committee were approved on a motion by Stafford and seconded by Golde.

The 2024 audit was presented by David Euerle of Westberg Eischens PLLP.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. **The March 2025 Financial Report** was approved on a motion by Kling, seconded by VanOrt.
2. **Bills and check registers** were approved on a motion by Kling, seconded by Stranberg.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

1. **New Hires:** The following new hires were approved on a motion by Kling, seconded by Stafford: Janice Bjonfeld, Library Asst. III, Grove City
Jared Gatzemeyer, Library Asst. II, Willmar

OLD BUSINESS – No old business.

NEW BUSINESS –

- A. **Resolution in Support of Minitex:** Minitex Library Services provides invaluable library services to residents and libraries across Minnesota including access to statewide resources, interlibrary loan and delivery; education and research databases; and digital content, all of which are available to all MN residents. With funding at a critical level, Pioneerland Library System unanimously approves the Resolution in Support of Minitex Library Services on a motion by VanOrt and seconded by Stafford.

DIRECTORS REPORT

- A. **2024 Year in Review:** This handout outlines usage statistics across Pioneerland Library System in 2024. The numbers are gathered from the annual report submitted to the state each year. Usage statistics for 2024 show an increase over 2023 in most categories.

OTHER

- A. The next board meeting is scheduled for **June 12, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.** (Finance @ 6:30)
Executive/Finance meetings: May 15 & July 17 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 7:30 p.m.

Recording secretary, Laurie Ortega