

POTTER-TIOGA LIBRARY SYSTEM

Regular Meeting
Westfield Public Library
Westfield, PA
October 11, 2011

The Regular Quarterly Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Potter-Tioga Library System was called to order by President Ruth Davis at 7:15 P.M.

Present:	Blossburg:	Joann Ogden, Deb Scott
	Coudersport:	
	Elkland:	
	Galeton:	Sue Williams
	Genesee:	Ruth Davis
	Knoxville:	Eugene Seelye
	Mansfield:	Danice Trindell
	Oswayo Valley:	
	Ulysses:	
	Wellsboro:	Lynne Coolidge
	Westfield:	Michelle Sama
	System Librarian:	Jody Cole

Members introduced themselves and identified their libraries

Danice Trindell moved the minutes be accepted, seconded by Lynne Coolidge. Michelle Sama said she had not served on the committee and the minutes were accepted as corrected.

System Librarian's Report:

- Circulation statistics for the 2nd quarter, 2011, were reviewed
- 2011 Financial summaries were reviewed
- The 2012 state budget will be about the same as the 2011 budget
- Potter & Tioga County Commissioners' 2012 budget meetings have been held.
No reports on specific outcomes
- Jody attended a PaLA conference in State College recently
- The System 990 form for 2011 was circulated for member inspection

The 2012 System Budget was presented by the committee. It remains the same as 2011. After discussion Eugene Seelye moved for its adoption, seconded by Michelle Sama and passed. Members were reminded that 12% of the operating budgets of the System and individual libraries must be spent on collections each year. Thanks were extended to the committee for its work.

Discussion of various forms of insurance to protect Library Trustees was held, but no action was taken.

The issue of what items libraries provide for their patrons should be taxed came up. Also discussed briefly was the budget involved in the County Coordination Aid program. These issues will be addressed again.

Jody put forth a proposal from the PaLA called Pennsylvania Forward, based on 5 Literacies to be addressed by the System and individual libraries. The intent is to garner public attention and support for libraries with the hopes of more usage and ultimately more financial support. PaLA is asking for a contribution from the System to further the program. After discussion, Eugene Seelye moved that we make a five year commitment at the level of \$300 a year for the program. Danice Trindell seconded the motion, but it failed.

News from member libraries was shared and refreshments were enjoyed.

Lynne Coolidge's motion for adjournment was seconded by Sue Williams and carried.

The next meeting of the Board will be at 10 AM at the Green Free Library, Wellsboro, PA, Saturday, January 14, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eugene A. Seelye". The signature is written in dark ink and has a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Eugene A. Seelye, Sec'y