

Bement Public Library District Board Meeting
December 17, 2024

Board President Mary Postlewait called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Director Donna Techau and Board Trustees Bill Gallagher, Jill Lawson, Connie Kinsella, Gail Wright, and Kenneth Wright were present. Trustee Jerry Watzlawick was absent.

Ken Wright made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Jill Lawson seconded the motion, and all trustees present voted aye.

In old business, Director Techau reported that she is currently working on the Per Capita Grant and will be requesting funds to use for summer programming. The computer upgrades have been completed, and currently all the library's computers are running Windows 11. Two computers were replaced with new ones. With regard to the remodeling project, the installation of the new reception desk and book shelving is complete. One section of countertop was missing and will be delivered after the new year. Payment will be made once that arrives and is installed. Director Techau shared that community feedback has been very positive from both patrons and staff, and that the changes make the library more appealing to children. The staff expressed gratitude to the board for the Christmas party and gift cards. Director Techau filed for an extension for the submission of the Comptroller's report; it is due at the end of February.

In new business, Ken Wright reported that a former Library Board Trustee, Phyllis Taylor, passed away. He made a motion to make a \$50 donation to Tatman Village in her memory. Bill Gallagher seconded the motion, and all trustees voted aye.

Director Techau reported that she is currently working on the IINET Survey. This is an annual report due at the end of March. Board Secretary Connie Kinsella reported that it is time to complete Donna's annual evaluation. Survey forms were sent home with board members to be completed and returned at the next board meeting in January. Connie will collect the surveys and summarize the data into one condensed report.

With no further business, Jill Lawson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 pm. Gail Wright seconded the motion, and all trustees voted aye.

The next regular board meeting will be January 21, 2025 at 5:30 pm at the library.

Connie Kinsella, Board Secretary