

**Minutes of the January 31, 2023, Meeting of  
the Ripon Public Library Board of Trustees**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by president Lauren McConnell. Other trustees present were Gary Will (departed at 5:17 p.m.), Travis Liptow, Doug Iverson, Gary Will, and Austin Klingler. Desiree Bongers was also present.

Mr. Iverson moved, Mr. Liptow seconded, to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2022, meeting. Motion carried.

A report on library activities was presented by Director Bongers. Included in the report were the following: Winnefox digitization grant, Webster grants, substitute librarians, Winnefox and Friends of RPL updates. Highlights of December statistics: in person circulation was 6,041; the door count was unavailable; 248 patrons checked out 1,254 items on OverDrive and 135 items on hoopla; there were 299 Internet sessions; 344 GB was downloaded on wireless and 397 unique wireless devices were used; a cumulative total of \$8,194 in fines and fees has been collected through the end of December.

The board reviewed the payment of the January 2023 invoices totaling \$2,922.58.

The board received an update on the strategic planning process. A committee is being formed and WiLs has provided a timeline with a targeted completion date of August.

The board received an update on the library fund held by the city. President McConnell and Director Bongers will be meeting with City Administrator Sonntag on February 21.

The board received an update on the Campaign Planning Committee and 100 Extraordinary Women.

- The next committee meetings will be held on 2/14/23.
- There are 114 100 EW participants to date, with commitments from several others.
- The 100 EW celebration will be held 3/9/23 in Great Hall at Ripon College.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the Silver Creek Room. Meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Desiree M. Bongers  
Library Director