

**La Porte County Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes January 25, 2018**

The Board of Trustees of the La Porte County Public Library met on Thursday, January 25, 2018 at the Main Library.

Present: Dava Buell, President
 James Dermody, Vice-President
 Karen Ellison
 Scott Siefker

Absent were: Sylvia Smith, Secretary
 Gregg Fuhlenbrock
 Marie Gilliland

Also in attendance: Fonda Owens, Director
 Susan Bannart, Branch and Outreach Services Manager
 Cindy Lane, Human Resources Manager
 Toni Kester, Public Services Manager – Main Library
 Michael Sheehan, Technical Services Manager
 Rebecca Tomerlin, IT Services Manager
 Ann Shaffer, Accounting Professional
 Kristi Chadderdon, Public Relations Professional
 Jenny Minich, Libraries 360 Librarian
 Linda Wiltfong, Superintendent, South Central Community School Corporation
 Mark Lienhoop, Legal Counsel

CALL TO ORDER

President Dava Buell called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. She then turned the meeting over to Director Fonda Owens

PURCHASE OF MOBILE CLASSROOM

Susan Bannwart, Branch and Outreach Services Manager gave a presentation on the service idea of a mobile classroom, along with samples of various types of vehicles used for this purpose. Ms. Bannwart included an outline of curriculum development and focus for the first three years as follows:

- Year 1 – 7th and 8th grade curriculum development
- Year 2 – 5th and 6th grade
- Year 3 – 3rd and 4th grade

Additionally, the mobile classroom would be utilized for school year visits, both during and after school, as well summer events and classes.

RENOVATION OF TELEPHONE BUILDING

Director Fonda Owens presented to the board the report from MKM which outlined proposed renovation plans for each floor of the Telephone building. She explained that use of the facility would tie into what the library is already focusing on in terms of service, and would also create additional program space, storage space, and staff space. She also explained that the staffing of the building would depend upon the service model that we decide to go with, including the use of existing staff, service hours, etc.

President Dava Buell adjourned the meeting at 6:40 PM.