

MATTOON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES: January 12, 2026 @ 5:15 PM, Kinzel Room, Mattoon Public Library

Board Members Present: Teresa Righter, Laura Huddleston, Jamie Golladay, Karin Edwards, Jacob Kimery, Harold Pettigrew, Greg Ray, Phyllis Karpus

Board Member Absent: Christina Krost

Staff Present: Carl Walworth, Abby de Buhr

Consent Agenda: Motion by Karpus, second by Righter, to approve consent agenda, which consists of December meeting minutes, vendor report, treasurer's report and circulation report. Motion carried.

Action item:

1. Motion by Karpus, second by Golladay to approve quote of \$6980 from Commercial Refrigeration to replace evaporator coil in air handler unit on second floor. Price includes coil, labor, freight and miscellaneous materials. Motion carried.

Program report: Celebrate Downtown Christmas, Christmas movie trivia, and other recent programs were highlighted. Summer Read planning is underway with theme of Unearth a Story. Board consensus was to move forward with Grant Station program as a community resource. De Buhr reported that DCFS may partner and pay for our family strategies class.

Director's Report:

Walworth said IHLS has open board seats for board members. Anyone interested should see him about connecting with IHLS. Interviews with 4 engineering firms are set for January 15. Board member email was discussed. Walworth highlighted the upcoming Black History month program with Floyd Hayes III as the featured speaker on February 26. The speaker is nationally known.

Adjournment: Motion by Righter, second by Ray to adjourn at 5:58 p.m. Motion carried.