

**Southwest La Plata Library District
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2025
1305 Escalante Drive, Suite 200**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 PM. In attendance were Rebecca Benally, Amanda McKown, Sharon Orr, Peter Miesler (teleconference), Roy Horvath, Janelle Blake

2. Approve Agenda

Motion to approve the February 17, 2025 Agenda made by Sharon, second by Janelle
Unanimous approval.

3. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Janelle to approve the January 20, 2025 Minutes, Director Report, Financial Reports, second by Roy; unanimous approval.

4. Public Comment-none

5. Update from Friends of the Library-none

6. Update from District Director

- Mailbox in Marvel- will no longer be used so mail will be forwarded to the Sunnyside Branch Library.
- Website Calendar- problems with it so either it needs to be taken down or hire someone to fix it. The Calendar must be compliant with WCAGAA. The Agenda and Minutes must go to Cindy to input into checker first.
- Won't You Be My Neighbor event March 29th, 12-3. Postcard sent to residents. Gave a few suggestions about other people to approach about a booth. It will be in the FLM Gym to accommodate more booths.
- SIPA Grant- Equipment has been ordered; when it comes in, funds from SIPA will be requested.
- Reynolds/Ash has been asked to provide an electrical plan.
- The 150 Reunion will probably be the weekend before Fourth of July, 2026. Will discuss further about funding in March.

7. Committee Updates-Management, Finance, Strategy/Development

A. Strategic Plan & Development

1. Kline property plumbing- Pipes broke and parts of the basement flooded. No damage of books or other items there. Sharon, Peter and Roy will be on the Committee.

B. Management Committee Update

1. Sharon and Amanda will be on this committee.
2. The All Staff meeting is at FLM Library Wednesday, February 19th. Breakfast provided.

C. Finance Status Update

1. Janelle and Peter will be on this committee.
2. ASEP is doing well in both schools

3. More money has been put back into the budget because a gas and oil company paid their taxes.
4. HB24B -1001-SDA, Ann Terry answered questions regarding this.

Summary:

Our existing reserves are safe because we obtained them prior to this law passing.

HB24B-1001 affects our ability to collect money. We cannot collect more than 10.5% above our base year over a two-year period. This collection of money includes tax revenue, grant revenue, other gifts and fund raising efforts.

As long as we don't take in more than the 10.5% over two years, we do not have to return any money to taxpayers. (How much we spend doesn't matter; only how much receive). If we have money available, we are permitted to move it into our reserve funds, as long as we haven't collected more than 10.5% above our base year, over a two-year period.

As a district, we have the right to select any year as our base year that we would like. 2024's actual revenue (tax levy, other county revenue, grant revenue, ASEP revenue, interest revenue, etc.) equaled \$647,700. This is our highest revenue amount.

We are able to de-bruce again, if we would like to and want to have another initiative brought before voters.

8. Other Items

a. New Board Members

- We are down by 2 Board members; county will be notified to make this announcement in the Herald.
- It is important to keep talking to people in our district to join the Board

b. Board Member Positions

A motion was made by Sharon to nominate Amanda as Chairperson, second by Janelle; unanimous approval.

A motion was made by Amanda to nominate Roy as Vice Chairperson, second by Peter; unanimous approval.

A motion was made by Amanda to nominate Sharon as Secretary, second by Janelle; unanimous approval.

A motion was made by Sharon to nominate Janelle as Treasurer, second by Amanda; unanimous approval.

9. Adjourn: 5:51 PM

Next Meetings– 4 PM, March 17, 2025; 4 PM, April 21, 2025