

Plum Creek Library System
Executive Committee
March 5, 2024 6:00 pm
Online

PRESENT:

Roger Pohlman, Chair
Thomas Andries, Chair-Elect
Lori Gunnink, Treasurer
Dallas Roskamp, Secretary
Rick Wakefield, Governing Board Representative

Plum Creek Library System staff members Elizabeth Hoffman, Rebecca Hudson, Joel Sasse, and Levi Blanchard were also in attendance.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Roger Pohlman called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. INTRODUCTIONS

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

5. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The approval of minutes was struck from the agenda.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

• **Southwest/West Central Service Cooperative Wide Area Network contract**

Information was provided by Levi Blanchard outlining the current telecommunication costs for libraries using E-rate and RLTA funding, and gave a three-year outlook of the costs if the system opts to contract with the SW/WC for use of its wide area network.

Benefits of making the change include increased security with live monitoring of the network, fewer internet outages, virtual firewalls (centralized at the service cooperative), technical support, faster speed, security training and scheduled security audits.

M/S R. Wakefield/T. Andries to enter into a 5-year agreement with the SW/WC Cooperative for WAN services.

Roll call: Andries, Pohlman, Wakefield – “Aye”. Gunnink was not present at the time of the motion so did not register a vote. Motion carried.

7. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.