

MINUTES OF HOCKING COUNTY LAW LIBRARY RESOURCE BOARD
February 7, 2024

Present: Stephen Proctor, Abby Saving, Alisa Turner, the law librarian, and Ryan Shepler.

The meeting was called to order by Abby Saving, Chairperson of the board.

Minutes: Motion was made by Ryan, and seconded by Stephen, to dispense with a reading of the minutes, as they were presented to the members to read, and the motion passed.

Librarian's Financial Report: Alisa did not have a report at this time. She was having issues signing in to the computer with her password. She indicated that she wishes to resign as law librarian after this year. She understands that there are several who are interested in taking the position, and she can get resumes from them.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

(None)

Other: None

A motion to adjourn was made by Ryan, and seconded by Stephen, and it passed.

Next Meeting: June 5, 2024, at 12:45 PM (After bar meeting – at Hocking County library)


Stephen E. Proctor, Secretary

MINUTES OF HOCKING COUNTY LAW LIBRARY RESOURCE BOARD

June 5, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Abby Saving, Chairperson of the board.

Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to dispense with a reading of the minutes, as they were presented to the members to read by email, and the motion passed.

Librarian's Financial Report: None

Old Business: None

New Business: None at this meeting

June 27, 2024 – Law Librarian Josph NemeC emailed the board members about sending back an update to Couse's Forms he had received, as he felt the cost was too much. Abby, Stephen & Chris all voted to return it to the company, and there were no dissenting votes, so it passed.

Other: None

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded, and it passed.

Next Meeting: September 4, 2024, at 12:45 PM (After bar meeting – at Hocking County library)


Stephen E. Proctor, Secretary

MINUTES OF HOCKING COUNTY LAW LIBRARY RESOURCE BOARD
OCTOBER 2, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Abby Saving, Chairperson of the board. Present were: Abby Saving, Ryan Sheplar, Chris Veidt, Stephen Proctor, and Joe Nemeec, the law librarian.

Minutes: A motion was made by Ryan, and seconded by Chris, to approve the minutes, as they were presented to the members, and the motion passed.

Librarian's Financial Report: It was emailed to all board members, and a motion was made by Ryan, seconded by Chris, to approve it, and it passed. Joe indicated that the main expenses he has are for Westlaw and for the copy machine (Flesch and Reuters.) Lexis has approached him as to replacing the Westlaw service with them. Abby asked for any preferences. The board agreed that it would not hurt for him to explore it. Joe also indicated that the only money he is receiving lately is from municipal court. He is not getting any portion of "legal research" costs from the juvenile court or common pleas court. He will check with the county auditor about it.

Old Business: None

New Business: None at this meeting

Other: None

A motion to adjourn was made by Ryan, and seconded by Chris, and it passed.

Next Meeting: November 6, 2024, at 12:45 PM (After bar meeting – at Hocking County library)



Stephen E. Proctor, Secretary

MINUTES OF HOCKING COUNTY LAW LIBRARY RESOURCE BOARD
DECEMBER 12, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Abby Saving, Chairperson of the board. Present were: Abby Saving, Chris Veidt, Stephen Proctor, and Joe Nemeck, the law librarian.

Minutes: A motion was made by Chris, and seconded by Abby, to approve the minutes, as they were presented to the members, and the motion passed.

Librarian's Financial Report: It was presented to the board members present, and had been emailed as well to all members, and a motion was made by Stephen, seconded by Chris, to approve it, and it passed. Joe indicated that Rhonda Wykle, the Clerk of Courts, was not aware of the need to pay funds to the law library board. There has been no lone item on the auditor's reports for funds coming from the Common Pleas Court. Joe spoke to Chris Robers, the county auditor, who indicated that he will add them to the reports for 2025. Municipal Court provides the largest amount of funds to the board, through traffic tickets paid. Some traffic cases end up with a felony charge added, such as carrying a loaded weapon in the vehicle, so there could be income from that type of case. Jamie, who is with the juvenile court, indicated that she believes they are paying their share. In 2024, \$547.50 was received from them. The current funds, per the auditor's report, are \$38, 718.87, although there is then an item as to "encumbrances." He will look into that. It is probably based on the 2024 budget.

Joe has not had a chance to meet with Lexis yet, but will do so. He received a book from them that requires a fee of \$1,300.00. He will return it. He is keeping a jury instructions book. We do still update the United States Code Service books.

He further indicated that the CP Court plans to move to e-filing of documents in 2025, beginning with civil cases. We may need to expend funds to allow pro-se parties to do the e-filing themselves.

Old Business: We discussed who appoints the individual board members, and when these appointments were made. Each term is 5 years. Chris indicated that he was appointed by the county prosecutor, in 2021, so he is not up for renewal until 2026. Abby and Stephen were appointed by the commissioners. Ryan was appointed by Judge Wallace, so the common pleas court. Charlie was appointed by Judge Moses, so municipal court, in November 2021, so his term will run through 2026.*

*Note: Stephen went to the commissioner's office after the meeting, and requested information as to when his term will expire. He received an email from the clerk that he was appointed in April 2018, so he is beyond his 5 year term. He then replied to the clerk that he does NOT wish to be re-appointed to the board, and that he will ask the bar association secretary to provide a list of bar members, so that they can be asked if they wish to serve on the board.

New Business: None at this meeting

Other: None

A motion to adjourn was made by Ryan, and seconded by Chris, and it passed.

Next Meeting: February 5, 2024, at 12:45 PM (After bar meeting – at Chef Moe's)


Stephen E. Proctor, Secretary

MINUTES OF HOCKING COUNTY LAW LIBRARY RESOURCE BOARD
February 5, 2025

Present: Stephen Proctor, Joe Nemec, the law librarian, Chris Veidt and Ryan Shepler.

The meeting was called to order by Ryan Sheplar, on behalf of Abby Saving, Chairperson of the board.

Minutes: Motion was made by Chris, and seconded by Ryan, to dispense with a reading of the minutes, as they were emailed to the members to read, and the motion passed.

Librarian's Financial Report: Joe stated that he had answered the prior questions some of the board members had as to the financial report from the last meeting, by presenting an auditor's report that explained the encumbered funds shown in the report. He also said that Nexus and Westlaw access are both issues. He obtained a password for Westlaw, so that he could check the current contracts, and the cost. The Westlaw contract expires in November 2025. He says that the cost is going to go up a good bit. They will reach out to him in August about renewing the contract. He also indicated that there are some print subscriptions by Lexus that are coming up for renewal. The Ohio Revised Code books, for two copies, will be almost \$9000. They are up for renewal in March. We discussed the possibility of not renewing them, since the entire Ohio Revised Code is on line and otherwise available. He will ask the judges, however, if they still want the book versions, and will email us soon as to what he finds out. The other print subscription up for renewal is on the Ohio Jury Instructions. They are also available otherwise, and they are also fairly expensive. They are not due until September, so we will look at it again in the meantime. Anna Mason, before she left the regular Barb meeting, indicated that she would like to get one of the West law accounts. Rick Wallar indicated that he is willing to give up his. Joe will look into exactly who has the accounts at this point. Joe also indicated that there is a current Westlaw bill that is due, and he will pay it.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Other: Stephen Proctor indicated that his term as a board member has expired, and has probably gone beyond the standard term. He does not wish to be reappointed. Rick Wallar indicated that he would like to serve on the board, so Stephen will contact the county commissioners, who appointed him, and let them know.

A motion to adjourn was made by Chris, and passed.

Next Meeting: June 4, 2025, at 12:45 PM (After bar meeting – at Chef Moe's)


Stephen E. Proctor, Secretary