

## Union County Law Library Resources Board Minutes

June 4, 2025

**Attending:** Stephen Badenhop, Law Library Board Chairperson; Perry Parsons, Law Library Board Vice-Chairperson; Tina Owens-Ruff, Law Library Board Trustee; Melissa Chase, Law Library Board Trustee; Rebecca Pokorski, Law Library Board Trustee, and Michael Rucker, Law Librarian and secretary for the meeting.

Chairperson Badenhop called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm at the Union County Law Library.

The first order of business was the reorganization of the Law Library Resources Board. A motion was made by Perry Parsons for the existing board to continue in their respective roles. The motion was seconded by Rebecca Pokorski and passed by unanimous vote.

The minutes of the December 4, 2024 meeting and the minutes of the April 22, 2025, meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Rebecca Pokorski to approve the minutes for both meetings and seconded by Perry Parsons and all voted to approve.

Next an overview of the 2024 financial and revenue summaries was presented by Chairperson Badenhop. There were no issues or questions raised regarding them. And he went on to discuss an overview of the 2025 financial and revenue summaries reporting that while costs have risen where expected the library maintains a healthy revenue balance.

Next was a presentation of the invoices incurred from January 1, 2025, to May 31, 2025. A motion to approve the invoices was made by Perry Parsons and seconded by Tina Owens-Ruff and was passed by unanimous vote.

New business began with the discussion of purchasing law books for Assistant City Law Director Julie Spain. Three volumes were under consideration: Baldwins Zoning and Planning, Baldwins Ohio Trial Practice and Ohio DUI. It was determined that Baldwins Zoning and Planning would be purchased, the Library's new copy of Baldwins Ohio Trial Practice would be provided to Assistant Law Director Spain, while the Library would keep the existing copy on the shelf, and since the newest version of Ohio DUI had not yet been released with the new statutory changes enacted earlier in the year that purchase would be postponed until the new edition had been published. A motion to approve was made by Perry Parsons and seconded by Rebecca Pokorski and the vote was unanimously approved.

The next item of new business concerned the addition of AI to the existing Lexis Plus contract. It was reported that there was ample enthusiasm for the AI program from select government Lexis Plus users and the Board determined to purchase 15 licenses of the AI product. A motion was made by Melissa Chase to move forward with the proposal which was seconded by Rebecca Pokorski. The Board then voted unanimously for LexisNexis to submit a contract for 15 AI licenses to the Board for review.

The last item was to select a date for a final vote on the Lexis Plus AI contract. It was decided to hold a special meeting on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at 4:00pm in Law Library for the purpose of voting on the proposed contract.

The meeting was then adjourned.