

The mission of the Manitowoc-Calumet Library System is to provide services that support, improve, and promote the member libraries, ensuring access for all residents of the system area. MCLS ensures access to high quality public library services through the coordination of planning, cooperation, resource sharing and application of information technologies among member libraries.

The MCLS Board of Trustees determines the goals of the System in fulfilling the mission of supporting and promoting our six member libraries in Manitowoc and Calumet Counties, approves System plans and the annual budget, establishes System policies, designates a System Director, approves payment of bills, supports legislation which would improve and extend library service, seeks adequate funding for System operations, and generally serves as the governing authority for the System.

In short, the trustees are ultimately responsible for fiscal oversight for the system, as well as hiring and evaluating the Director, who is responsible for carrying out the system's functions. Those are the key responsibilities of the Board.

MCLS has six, bi-monthly meetings per year – one meeting is scheduled at each of our six member libraries (Brillion, Chilton, Kiel, Lester in Two Rivers, Manitowoc, and New Holstein). Trustees are reimbursed for roundtrip mileage incurred for travel to these meetings. All meetings begin at 6:00pm and have both an in-person and a virtual attendance option.

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