

*The Mission of LARL is to link people and communities  
to resources and experiences for learning and enrichment.*

**LARL BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FULL BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES**

**A meeting of the Lake Agassiz Regional Library Full Board was held on Thursday, March 21, 2013 at the Moorhead Library. President Perry called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.**

**Board Members Present:** Bunes, Bursik, Chevalier, Eidenschink, Fox, Ingersoll, Johnson, Kalil, Knutson, Nelson, Perry (*President*), Rue, Schmid, Schoenborn (via video chat), Stowman, Ward, Winterfeldt.

**Board Members Absent:** Hall, Hansen, Douglas, Durand, Geray, Vinz

**Others Present:** Lynch, Sprynczynatyk, Daniel Stenseng – Clearwater County Commissioner, 4 citizens from Gonvick.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

***(Bursik/Chevalier) Move to approve the Agenda of the March 21, 2013 Full Board Meeting as presented. MCU.***

**MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 17, 2013 FULL BOARD MEETING**

***(Winterfeldt/Eidenschink) Move to approve the January 17, 2013 Full Board Meeting Minutes as presented. MCU.***

**DANIEL STENSENG – CLEARWATER COUNTY/GONVICK LINK SITE UPDATE**

Stenseng, a Clearwater County Commissioner, discussed the financial history of Clearwater County. He explained that the citizens of Gonvick have raised the funds to cover Clearwater County's shortfall from LARL budget request for 2013. The County is not willing to accept the funds from the citizens of Gonvick to cover the shortfall. However, they have approved the citizen's donation to be given directly to LARL.

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**DANIEL STENSENG – CLEARWATER COUNTY/GONVICK LINK SITE UPDATE - continued**

Stenseng passed a sheet of paper with the following recommended motion: "Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ and carried, the Lake Agassiz Regional Library Board hereby accepts monetary gifts for the years 2013 and 2014 from the City of Govnick – representing contributions from Govnick LINK Site users and friends – in support of financial needs of this LINK Site within the library system."

The LARL Board discussed the issue, raising concerns about accepting funds for operations from a non-signatory, relying on donations which aren't guaranteed for operations, and allowing one signatory to do something like this which opens the door for other counties to do something similar.

***(Johnson and Stowman did not vote on the following motions as they had not taken the LARL Oath of Office yet).***

***(Winterfeldt/Nelson) Move to approve the acceptance of the gift from Govnick, pending legal opinion, to secure the link site until January 1, 2015 at which time the Clearwater country will meet its maintenance of effort or the site will be terminated immediately. Additionally the site will be terminated immediately if the funds are not made available. Motion failed by a count of 7 yes (Rue, Chevalier, Winterfeldt, Kalil, Ward, Eidenschink, Schoenborn) and 8 no (Bursik, Ingersoll, Nelson, Schmid, Fox, Buness, Knutson, Perry) votes.***

***(Ingersoll/Bursik) Move that if Clearwater County accepts the donation of funds from Govnick and the County pays the money to LARL, LARL will accept the funds and the Govnick LINK Site will remain open. Motion carried by a vote of 12 yes, 1 no (Chevalier), and 1 abstain (Kalil).***

**WELCOME TO NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

Perry welcomed Dana Johnson, City of Crookston and Shelly Stowman, Becker County to the LARL Board. Johnson and Stowman recited the Oath of Office.

**MEGAN KRUEGER, MOORHEAD HUB SUPERVISOR – ZINIO**

Krueger gave a demonstration of Zinio, a new digital magazine product offered by LARL.

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Nelson and Fox left the meeting at 6:40

### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Sprynczynatyk reported that with 16.67% of 2013 complete, LARL has spent 15.87% of budgeted expenses. The Programming – Summer Reading line is at 59.12% of budget due to planning meetings and supplies being purchases for the upcoming Summer Reading Program. Accounting/Bank fees are at 55.83% of budget due to the majority of the 2012 audit being paid for. PIO: Printing/Advertising is at 25.23% of budget due to a large order of LARL pens. Recruitment is at 57.88% of budget due to several open positions in January and February and the fact that LARL filled positions internally which meant advertising for a position and then advertising for the newly open position vacated by an internal hire.

### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

***(Winterfeldt/Nelson) Move to authorize the Director to submit the 2012 Annual Report to State Library Services. MCU.***

Lynch attended a town hall meeting at Moorhead City Hall with Senator Eken and Representatives Marquart and Lien.

Lynch has been speaking with a consultant about developing a new LARL Strategic Plan.

Plates are being placed in several new books in memory of Merlyn Melby, a past LARL Board Member who recently passed away.

### **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:**

**Becker County** (Bursik, Kalil, Nelson – left meeting at 6:40, Stowman).

The original Detroit Lakes Library building turns 100 this year. Kalil is chair of the Centennial Committee and is planning several events. Motion operated faucets and new sinks have been installed in the library.

**Breckenridge** (Fox – left meeting at 6:40).

No report.

**Clay County** (Hansen-absent, Ingersoll, Ward).

No report.

**Clearwater County** (Chevalier).

No report.

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**Crookston** (Johnson).

The library is getting a new boiler as soon as the weather warms up. Chris Boike is the new Crookston Hub Supervisor.

**Detroit Lakes** (Douglas - absent).

No report.

**City of Mahnomen** (Schoenborn).

Legacy Programs have had great attendance.

**Mahnomen County** (Geray- absent).

No report.

**Moorhead** (Durand-absent, Knutson, Schmid, Vinz-absent, Winterfeldt).

No report.

**Norman County/Ada** (Hall-absent).

No report.

**Polk County** (Buness, Eidenschink, Rue).

Fertile had 37 Hot Reads participants and 304 books read. The library is reaching out to the Amish community.

Rue requested the circulation stats be included in the board packets.

**Wilkin County** (Perry).

No report.

**MN Library Association/Library Trustee and Advocates Section** (Bursik)

Bursik encouraged board members to contact Legislators and let them know how you feel about various bills they are supporting/voting on.

**Northern Lights Library Network** (Ingersoll/Vinz).

The annual meeting will be next month in Mahnomen. Kathy Enger has been doing a very good job as director.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

No report.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.