

The Mission of LARL is to enrich lives and strengthen communities.

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

A meeting of the Lake Agassiz Regional Library Full Board was held on Thursday, May 21, 2015 at the Moorhead Public Library. President Bursik called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Board Members Present: Briggs, Bunes, Bursik (*President*), Dailey, Douglas, Fox, Grimsley, Hall, Ingersoll, Perry.

Board Members Absent: Geray, Lake, Nelson, Schoenborn, Winterfeldt

Others Present: Lynch, Sprynczynatyk, Arlen Syverson – Clearwater County (alternate for John Nelson).

PUBLIC INPUT

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 19, 2015 FULL BOARD MEETING

(Perry/Grimsley) Move to approve the March 19, 2015 Full Board Meeting Minutes as presented. MCU.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sprynczynatyk reported that with 33.33% of 2015 complete, LARL has spent 32.87% of budgeted expenses. Joint Automation revenue is at 92.77% of budget due to receiving \$25,000 from Northern Lights Library Network for LARL/Northwest Regional Library's upcoming change in Automation System. All expense categories are closely following or under budget at this time.

Sprynczynatyk discussed that the Crookston Branch would like to spend their \$660 distribution from their Endowment fund on a new iPad and accessories for the children's area.

(Grimsley/Briggs) Move to reinvest the full annual distributions from the F-M Area Foundation for the Ada, Hawley, and Moorhead Branches into the sub funds from which they were earned, and spend the full annual distribution from the F-M Area Foundation for the Crookston Branch distribution. MCU.

Sprynczynatyk discussed the second draft of the 2015 Preliminary Budget. The Executive/Finance Committees suggested increasing the overall signatory increase request in the first draft from 1% to 2% in the second draft. The Committees also suggested increasing the Materials Budget, which was increased by 2%. There are 2 large unknown items in the budget which LARL won't know until August; Health Insurance which is budgeted at an 8% increase and State Basic Support which is currently budgeted to decrease \$11,380. LARL's Union negotiations will also take place later this year.

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Lynch reported that the Moorhead Public Library was recently awarded a \$20,000 Bremer Foundation grant that can be increased to \$30,000 if \$10,000 in additional matching funds can be obtained from other sources. The grant will be used to update the public meeting rooms at the library. More Bremer Grants will be applied for in the future.

The Regional Library System Basic Support (RLBSS) formula change that several systems were fighting for did not go through. The Education Bill and the Legacy Bill were not finalized during the Legislative session; they will be finalized when the Governor calls a special session. At this time it appears Libraries will receive \$2.2 million rather than the current \$3 million of Legacy funds.

Bev Lake, City of Moorhead has resigned from the LARL Board.

Lynch discussed an issue in Polk County with an individual who harasses staff. LARL's Attorney worked with the Polk County sheriff to obtain a trespass notice. The trespass notices have been issued for McIntosh and Fosston. The individual is now using the Crookston and Bagley Libraries, so far there have been no issues at those locations, but if issues arise the Polk County Sheriff is ready to work with LARL.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Becker County (Bursik, Grimsley).

Grimsley passed around a picture of the statue being made for the library, of which LARL contributed some Legacy funds.

Breckenridge (Fox).

No report.

Clay County (Ingersoll).

No report.

Clearwater County (Nelson-absent/Arlen Syverson).

The Bagley library is busy.

Crookston (Briggs).

No report.

Detroit Lakes (Douglas).

The Detroit Lakes Public Library sculpture will be completed in August. Lorna Landvik attracted a large crowd in March as part of a Legacy Program. On July 10, Lorraine Snelling will be speaking at the library. Mark Vinz has been conducting a writing workshop. Tony Nasello presented an entertaining and informative program about Italy and cooking, which was very well received.

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BOARD MEMBER REPORTS – continued:

City of Mahanomen (Schoenborn-absent).

No report.

Mahanomen County (Geray-absent).

No report.

Moorhead (Dailey, Lake-absent, Winterfeldt-absent).

Lynch reported that Youth Build refinished all the tables in Moorhead.

Norman County/Ada (Hall).

No report.

Polk County (Buness).

All 4 libraries in Polk County are operating well. Fertile has maintained a good relationship with the local Amish Community.

Wilkin County (Perry).

No report.

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

Bursik discussed a brochure about the MN Library Association/Library Trustee and Advocate Section that was in the board packets.

Northern Lights Library Network (Ingersoll).

No report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Bursik thanked the Board for their attendance and participation in the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

**Lake Agassiz Regional Library
2015 Board Meeting Attendance Schedule**

An "X" indicates the board member (or alternate) attended the meeting

	January	March	May	June	September	November
Becker County						
Bursik	x	x	x			
Grimsley	x	x	x			
Breckenridge						
Fox	x	x	x			
Clay County						
Ingersoll	x	x	x			
Clearwater County						
Nelson	x		x			
Crookston						
Briggs		x	x			
Detroit Lakes						
Douglas			x			
Mahnomen						
Schoenborn		x				
Mahnomen County						
Geray	x	x				
Moorhead						
Dailey		x	x			
Lake	x	x				
Winterfeldt	x	x				
Norman County						
Hall	x	x	x			
Polk County						
Buness		x	x			
Wilkin County						
Perry	x	x	x			