

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, September 21, 2017 at the Moorhead Public Library. President Kalil called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Board Members Present: Briggs, Dailey, Durant, Fox, Grimsley, Hall, Haney, Kalil
(*President*), Larson, Schell, Syverson, Willhite

Board Members Absent: Brammer, Geray, Ingersoll

Others Present: Lynch, Sprynczynatyk

PUBLIC INPUT

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(Fox/Schell) Move to approve the Agenda of the September, 21 2017 Full Board Meeting as presented. MCU.

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 15, 2017 FULL BOARD MEETING

(Syverson/Larson) Move to approve the Minutes of the June 15, 2017 Full Board Meeting as presented. MCU.

FINANCIAL REPORT

With 66.67% of 2017 complete, LARL spent 63.1% of budgeted expenses. Interest/Dividend Income is at 128% of budget. LARL receives the majority of yearly interest 2 times each year, and the 2nd payment was in August. There will be minimal interest income the rest of 2017.

Sprynczynatyk discussed that LARL will see a \$31,000 increase in state funding for FY2018. LARL will also see a modest 5.2% increase in health insurance costs for 2018.

(Grimsley/Dailey) Move to authorize the Regional Library Director and Business Office to submit the Report of Results Accomplished for the FY2017 Regional Basic System Support (RLBSS) Grant. MCU.

(Larson/Syverson) Move to approve the application for FY2018 Regional Telecommunications Aid (RLTA). MCU.

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Greta Guck has been hired as the new Youth Services Librarian in Detroit Lakes.

As LARL works on developing a new strategic plan, 82 community members attended the community conversations held this summer and over 1,000 online surveys were completed, as well as several paper surveys.

Over 7,000 youth were reached around the region in the Summer Reading Program.

The fall legacy program has launched and so far there have been good turnouts for great events.

Lynch and Chris Boike met with a representative from the Bremer Foundation regarding an \$180,000 grant that was applied for, for renovations to the Crookston Library. LARL should be informed in November if a grant is received.

Lynch discussed the LARL Strategic plan. The LARL Coordinating Team met and looked at survey results. Three areas of need were developed to focus on: Customer Service, Comfort (safety in the library) and Connection (the library making connections for individuals and organizations).

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Schell discussed that in November the Nominations Committee will be looking for nominations for the LARL Executive Committee, consisting of a President, Vice President, Treasurer and 2 At-Large positions. Fox is in her last year as a LARL Board member, her Vice President position will need to be filled. Grimsley and Dailey expressed interest in staying on the Executive Committee as the both currently hold At-Large positions.

Becker County (Grimsley, Kalil)

No report.

Breckenridge (Fox)

The Library remodel project is going well.

Clay County (Haney)

No report

Clearwater County (Syverson)

More organizations are using the new meeting rooms in the same building as the library so more people who have never been in the library are seeing it.

Crookston (Briggs)

They are hoping to spend more money on the Library to upgrade lighting to make the building a bit more efficient.

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BOARD MEMBER REPORTS – continued:

Detroit Lakes (Schell)

The inside of the library will be painted soon. The staff is excited to have a new Youth Librarian coming on soon. 89 people took 2 buses to Duluth for a Legacy trip.

City of Mahanomen (Durant)

The Librarian was at the farmers market today advertising for the library and legacy programs.

Mahanomen County (Geray-absent)

No report

Moorhead (Brammer-absent, Dailey, Ingersoll-absent)

There will be a Murder/Mystery event at the library on Saturday.

Norman County/Ada (Hall)

The communities in Norman County really appreciate the Library System. Library programming brings a lot of activities to the communities.

Polk County (Willhite)

The community conversation in Crookston didn't have a large turnout, but the Mayor was there and stressed the library being a community center.

Wilkin County (Larson)

The remodel in Breckenridge is going well.

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

No report.

Northern Lights Library Network (Ingersoll-absent, Dailey)

No report.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

No report.

(Syverson/Larson) Move to adjourn the meeting. MCU.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

**Lake Agassiz Regional Library
2017 Board Meeting Attendance Schedule**

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

	January	March	May	June	September	November
Becker County						
Grimsley	x	x	x	x	x	
Kalil	x	x	x		x	
Breckenridge						
Fox		x	x	x	x	
Clay County						
Haney	x	x	x		x	
Clearwater County						
Nelson/Syverson	x	x	x	x	x	
Crookston						
Briggs		x	x	x	x	
Detroit Lakes						
Schell	x	x	x	x	x	
Mahnomen						
Durant	x	x	x	x	x	
Mahnomen County						
Geray	x		x	x		
Moorhead						
Brammer	x	x	x	x		
Dailey	x	x			x	
Ingersoll		x		x		
Norman County						
Hall	x	x	x	x	x	
Polk County						
Willhite	x	x	x	x	x	
Wilkin County						
Larson	x	x	x	x	x	