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, March 17, 2016 at the Moorhead Public Library. President Perry called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Board Members Present: Buness, Dailey, Fox, Geray, Grimsley, Hall, Ingersoll, Kalil, Perry

(President), Syverson (alternate for Nelson).

Board Members Absent: Briggs, Douglas, Gieseke, Winterfeldt, 1 open position

Others Present: Lynch, Sprynczynatyk

PUBLIC INPUT

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(Geray/Buness) Move to approve the Agenda of the March 17, 2016 Full Board Meeting. MCU.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 21, 2016 FULL BOARD MEETING

(Kalil/Hall) Move to approve the Minutes of the January 21, 2016 Full Board Meeting as presented. MCU.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Sprynczynatyk reported that due to extra time needed to comply with a new Government Accounting Standard, GASB 68, the audit presentation will be taking place at the May Full Board meeting.

With 16.67% of 2016 complete, LARL spent 15.3% of budgeted expenses. Accounting/Bank Fees are at 52.19% of budget due to payment for part of the 2015 audit.

(Ingersoll/Dailey) Move to authorize the Director to submit the 2015 Annual Report to State Library Services. MCU.

(Hall/Kalil) Move to approve the Final Report for the State Regional Public Library System Arts and Cultural Heritage Program for FY2015 funding year. MCU.

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Lynch reported that Tammy Thomasson from the Crookston Public Library was invited to attend a luncheon with the Governor. While a Cabinet member was present rather than the Governor, Tammy was able to gather helpful information regarding Early Child Initiatives.

Megan Krueger obtained a \$20,000 Bremer Grant in 2015; the grant included an additional \$10,000 from the Bremer Foundation if matching grants could be obtained. The matching funds were raised, with the help of a final \$3,700 donation from former Moorhead Mayor Mark Voxland in memory of his wife. The funds will be used for renovations and new furniture in the Moorhead meeting rooms.

Lynch discussed that LARL is moving to a new Staff Intranet, while the change is being made policies and procedures will be reviewed and updated as needed.

Updates to the Emergency and Non-Emergency Closing Policy were reviewed. Perry suggested leaving in the sentence "Staff is also expected to use good judgement regarding travel".

(Grimsley/Geray) Move to approve the revised Emergency and Nonemergency Closing Policy with leaving in the sentence "Staff is also expected to use good judgement regarding travel". MCU.

(Kalil/Fox) Move to adopt the LARL Resolution to support the MN Broadband Vision. MCU.

Lynch updated the Board on the status of LARL's Strategic Plan. Lynch mentioned that one addition to the plan includes an initiative to form relationships with organizations and local businesses. This initiative has resulted in several donations from around the region to improve services and facilities in several communities.

The current strategic plan runs through 2016. Starting this fall Lynch will be scheduling community conversations again to get public input on how LARL can better serve our community.

Lynch discussed Library Legislative Day. Lynch is unable to attend Legislative Day this year, but LARL will have two representatives, Megan Krueger, Moorhead Hub Supervisor and Chris Boike, Crookston Hub Supervisor, as well as a LARL Board member.

Lynch passed out brochures from the MN Library & Trustee Advocates.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Becker County (Grimsley, Kalil)

The Detroit Lakes library has a new sign on the Washington Avenue side of the building.

Breckenridge (Fox)

No report

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Clay County (Ingersoll)

No report

Clearwater County (Syverson)

No report

Crookston (Briggs-absent)

No report

<u>Detroit Lakes</u> (Marlys Douglas-absent)

No report

<u>City of Mahnomen</u> (Gieseke-absent)

No report

Mahnomen County (Geray)

No report

Moorhead (Dailey, Winterfeldt-absent, 1 open)

No report

Norman County/Ada (Hall)

The Ada Library is getting new carpet, computers and computer tables.

Polk County (Buness)

Buness stopped at the Climax Library, things are going well. The Polk County Board likes that LARL has been working to obtain outside funding, the fact that LARL is putting in the effort to get additional funding makes it easier for them to meet LARL's funding requests.

Wilkin County (Perry)

No report

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

No report

Northern Lights Library Network (Ingersoll)

Broadband was discussed with representatives at the last meeting.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Perry asked if Kalil would be LARL's representative on the MN Library Association/Library Trustee and Advocates Section.

(Ingersoll/Geray) Move to appoint Terry Kalil as LARL's representative on the MN Library Association/Library Trustee and Advocates Section. MCU.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Lake Agassiz Regional Library 2016 Board Meeting Attendance Schedule

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

	January	March	May	June	September	November
Becker County			•			
Grimsley	Х	х				
Kalil	Х	х				
Breckenridge					•	
Fox		Х				
Clay County						
Ingersoll	Х	Х				
Clearwater County						
Nelson/Syverson	X	X				
Crookston						
Briggs	X					
Detroit Lakes						
Douglas						
Mahnomen						
Gieseke	Χ					
Mahnomen County	,					
Geray	X	X				
Moorhead						
Dailey		х				
Winterfeldt	X					
Open						
Norman County						
Hall	X	X				
Polk County						
Buness	X	x				
Wilkin County		<u> </u>				T
Perry	X	X				