

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, June 17, 2021. President Kalil called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

Board Members Present: Ahmann, Caroon, Durant, Ebinger, Grimsley, Holecek, Jacobson, Kalil (*President*), Schell, Shastri, Titera, Willhite.

Board Members Absent: Anderson, Briggs, Larson.

Others Present: Lynch, Sprynczynatyk

PUBLIC INPUT

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Sprynczynatyk requested that item 3b Application for state FY2022 Legacy be removed from the agenda, with the Legislature still meeting the State Library is holding off on providing the applications at this time.

(Grimsley/Ebinger) Move to approve the meeting agenda with the removal of item 3b. MCU.

MINUTES OF THE MAY 20, 2021 FULL BOARD MEETING

Schell noted she was listed as present and absent on the minutes. She was absent.

(Gary/Ahmann) Move to approve the Minutes of the May 20, 2021 Full Board Meeting as correct listing Schell as absent. MCU.

FINANCIAL REPORT

With 41.67% of the year complete, 40.40% of budgeted expenses have been spent. Regional Library Telecom Aid is at 107.44% of budget due to additional funding being received. Accounting/Bank Fees at 65.47% of budget is due to the 2020 audit being paid in full.

(Ebinger/Schell) Move to approve the application for State FY2022 Regional Library Basic System Support. MCU.

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REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Grimsley reported the Finance Committee reviewed Draft 3 of the preliminary budget and recommended the full board approve Draft #3. Grimsley noted the Finance Committee discussed the materials budget and decided to not change the budget; however, the board will allow LARL to spend \$5,000 on materials from reserves in 2022.

(Grimsley/Holecek) Move to approve the 2022 Preliminary Budget Draft #3 – as reviewed and recommended by the Finance Committee. MCU.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Lynch discussed the written report in the board packet.

LARL had a few online Legacy programs with Sister Beads, a program that demonstrated how to make Native American earrings. The videos have gone viral on YouTube and now have over 18,000 views to date.

The City of Mahanomen has received two grants for the Mahanomen Public Library. The grants are to repair the ceiling from water damage, new light fixtures, new windows, new sidewalk, and a bathroom renovation.

At this time the library requests for Legacy funding and Regional Library Basic System Support are still alive in the Legislature.

The equipment LARL has purchased for hybrid meetings in Moorhead has been installed in the small conference room, but the larger conference room equipment is on backorder.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Becker County (Grimsley, Kalil)

No report.

Breckenridge (Holecek)

The Summer Learning Experience has been going well.

Clay County (Ebinger)

No report.

Clearwater County (Titera)

No report

Crookston (Briggs-absent)

No report

Detroit Lakes (Schell)

The community assessment was completed and there will be a meeting of advocates on July 23rd to discuss which parts of the assessment they will present to the City Commission. The book bike is active this summer. There are 3 decorated sail boats at the Detroit Lakes Library, there are several around the city.

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City of Mahanomen (Durant)

One of the grants received for the Library is from the Department of Education and is for \$80,000. A new interim City Administrator has been hired.

Mahanomen County (Ahmann)

A new County Administrator will be starting in late July.

Moorhead (Anderson-absent, Caroon, Shastri)

A new full time library Associate starts next week. The Friends started an online book sale. The Moorhead Library Board has a special meeting next week to discuss the Community Library Needs Assessment.

Norman County (Jacobson)

The County is spending \$27,200 to remove bats from the attic of the courthouse.

Polk County (Willhite)

No report.

Wilkin County (Larson-absent)

No report.

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

No report.

Northern Lights Library Network (Schell/Holecek)

There will be a telephone conference call next Saturday. The NLLN offices are moving into a smaller space. The writer conference in April was very highly attended.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

No report.

The meeting adjourned at 6:14.