

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 22, 2022. President Willhite called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

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

Board Members Absent: Geray, 1 open position.

Others Present: Lynch, Sprynczynatyk, Linda Schell

PUBLIC INPUT

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

(Larson/Briggs) Move to approve the meeting agenda as presented. MCU.

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 16, 2022 FULL BOARD MEETING

(Ebinger/Larson) Move to approve the Minutes of the June 16, 2022 Full Board Meeting as presented. MCU.

FINANCIAL REPORT

With 66.67% of the year complete, 64.45% of budgeted expenses have been spent. Regional Library Telecom Aid is at 117.89% of budget due to additional funding being received. Miscellaneous Revenue is at -120.51% of budget due to municipal bonds trading at lower value, LARL will hold the investments until called or matured and will still receive interest payments.

Sprynczynatyk reported that LARL's health insurance cost increase for 2023 will be 1.45%.

(Kalil/Jacobson) Move to authorize the Regional Library Director and Finance/HR Director to submit the Final Report and documentation of actual expenses for FY2022 Regional Telecom Aid (RLTA). MCU.

(Larson/Ebinger) Move to approve the application for FY2023 Regional Telecom Aid (RLTA). MCU.

(Briggs/Durant) Move to authorize the Regional Library Director and Finance/HR Director to submit the Report of Results Accomplished for the FY2022 Regional Library Basic System Support (RLBSS) Grant. MCU.

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FINANCIAL REPORT - continued

Sprynczynatyk discussed proposals from Brady Martz & Associates and Eide Bailly LLP for the LARL 2022-2024 financial audits.

(Jacobson/Kalil) Move to approve a three year (2022-2024) agreement with Brady Martz & Associates to conduct the annual audit of LARL's financial statements. MCU.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Lynch discussed that there were several resignations over the past few months. Some internal applicants were able to fill some of the positions and at this time almost all positions are now filled.

Lynch discussed her written report that was in the board packet.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Kalil discussed that several LARL Board members are up for election in November, there are also some board members that are in their last year of eligibility to serve on the Board, and some that are in their last year of eligibility to serve on the Executive Committee. Kalil requested that all board members let her know about interest in serving on the Executive Committee next year, assuming they all get reelected.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Becker County (Grimsley, Kalil)

The Summer Learning Experience biggest program had 130 kids, the smallest had 30. The bathroom remodel project is out for bid a 2nd time. There appears to be a lot more interest in giving bids this time.

Breckenridge (Holecek)

No report.

Clay County (Ebinger)

No report.

Clearwater County (Titera)

No report.

Crookston (Briggs)

They are working repairing the entire building.

Detroit Lakes (open)

No report.

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City of Mahanomen (Durant)

No report.

Mahanomen County (Geray-absent)

No report.

Moorhead (Caroon, Greenley, Shastri)

About 500 to 700 people use the library each day. HVAC issues were experienced all summer, first being very cold and then being very hot. The efforts about getting the word out about the vote coming up about a new Moorhead Library/Community Center were discussed.

Norman County (Jacobson)

No report.

Polk County (Willhite)

No report.

Wilkin County (Larson)

No report.

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

No report.

Northern Lights Library Network (Holecek/Schell)

There quarterly meeting was last Saturday. Schell reiterated that Library staff can get funding for education/training from NLLN.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

No report.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:40.