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Lapeer District Library
Regular Meeting of April 21, 2022
Marguerite deAngeli Library
Minutes

22R.4.01 Call to Order: G. Phillips, board chair, called the meeting to order at

5:30 pm.

22R.4.02 Roll Call:

Jacquie Wilson	City of Lapeer	12/31/2022	Present
Amanda Renius	County (Marathon Township)	12/31/2024	Present
Amanda Sandusky	County (Oregon Township)	12/31/2023	Present
Gary Phillips	County (Deerfield Township)	12/31/2023	Present
Kelly Nolan	Lapeer Township	12/31/2024	Present
Perry Valle	County (Metamora Township)	12/31/2025	Present
Dr. Neena Sharma Schons	Mayfield Township	12/31/2025	Present

Quorum is 4. There are __7__ Board members present.

Also present are Amy Churchill, LDL Director and Yvonne Brown, Assistant Director for Technical Services. Susan Beal represented Friends of the Library. Patricia Presby is present as recorder.

22R.4.03 Public Comments: None.

22R.4.04 Additions/Deletions/Approval of agenda: K. Nolan moved to accept the agenda as presented. Seconded by N. Sharma-Schons. Motion carried.

22R.4.05 Consent Agenda: J. Wilson moved to accept the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by P. Valle. Motion carried.

Board Reports:

22R.4.06

Treasurer: P. Valle, board treasurer, moved to pay checks #14325-14365 from General Checking for \$26,165.38; bill pay #GC3178-3229—General Checking –Online Bill Pay for \$20,164.24; and bill pay #PC1841-1851 for \$82,488.71 for a grand total of \$ 128,818.33. Seconded by J. Wilson. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

22R.4.07 Finance: Nothing new at this time.

- **22R.4.08 Personnel:** Major topic of discussions was on developing a policy for seminar attendance. When funds are limited and many people want to go, a policy would give a pathway of decision making for selection of attendees. The Director is collecting similar attendance policies from other libraries for guidance in developing one for LDL.
- **22R.4.09** Advocacy: Meets in May.

Lapeer County Report:

Dyle Henning, County Commissioner, sent his report to LDL's Director to give on his behalf. Lapeer School and a Senior millage will be on the August ballot. The November ballot will have a new millage for the Lapeer County Road Commission and possibly GLTA. There is also talk of a law enforcement millage popping up. Not every group has made a firm commitment yet. Final August ballot language is due in May. The commissioners also discussed increasing broadband access for the entire county.

Unfinished Business:

Millage discussion as necessary Going for a millage in May would mean a 22R.4.11 greater expense because the cost would most likely not be shared. Another consideration is that the November ballot may be crowded with other millage requests and library ballot language is always listed last. Putting the library millage with the Senior millage in August could work to our advantage in getting a positive vote. Applying for an August millage would require a Special Meeting of the Board to approve of the ballot language. To that end, the board set a tentative date (May 2 or 3) contingent on the lawyer getting everything in order to go on the ballot. There are other challenges for the library millage being on the August ballot, such as turnaround time for the lawyer, preparation of staff training, and scheduling "reach out" times for each township. In the event that the millage does not pass in August, the library could wait until August of 2023; it has enough funds to run until then, bypassing a potentially full November ballot.

New Business:

- **22R.4.12 Check Out a Storywalk Form:** Community groups and members can check out a temporary Storywalk story for their use. An explanatory form with application was presented.
- **Sponsor a Storywalk Form:** A form was presented with an application to sponsor a Storywalk story on the lawn of the deAngeli library.

Staff Reports

- **22R.4.14 Assistant Director for Technical Services:** A written report was presented. In addition, Part 1 of The Life of a Book was shown.
- **22R.4.15 Director's Report:** A written report was submitted.

Communications:

22R.4.16 LDL County Press article (forwarded by email)

22R.4.17 Kid's Programs April and May 2022

22R.4.18 Part 1 of Life of a Book (played at meeting)

Friends Report:

The March 26th meeting was well attended. Adjustments were made by the group to accommodate directors' length of term. The "wish list" presented by FOL liaison for programming was approved as well as \$1,000 toward Activity Kits for families. Involvement of Storywalk changing will resume when weather co-operates. The target is to change the story every month.

Board Comments or Request for Information:

- **22R.4.20** Board volunteers are set for Spring Expo on April 27. A camping theme gift basket has been prepared for the gift basket drawing.
- **22R.4.21 MMLC Report:** A special board meeting is scheduled for June 9th. A declining service population at the Chippewa River District Library affects the financial involvement for that district. There is a change in grant status as well. A by-law review is planned for MMLC.
- **22R.4.22 Public Comments:** None.
- **22R.4.23 Adjournment:** N. Sharma-Schons moved to adjourn. Seconded by A. Sandusky. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:43pm.

Regular Meeting: Marguerite deAngeli Library
May 19, 2022
Finance Committee 4:30 p.m.
Full Board 5:30 p.m.

Pat Presby – Recorder	
Amanda Renius – Secretary	
Gary Phillips – Chair	