

**LAKELAND LIBRARY COOPERATIVE  
ADVISORY COUNCIL MINUTES – Official  
Thursday, April 13, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.  
At the KDL Service Center**

Council Members Present: Mary Cook (OA), Elyshia Hoekstra (OC), Carol Dawe (LL)  
Lakeland Staff Present: Amber McLain

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order at 10:11 AM by Mary Cook.
- 2) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Virginia DeMumbrum moved, supported by Peggy Hemerling to approve the agenda as presented - *motion carried*.
- 3) **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
  - a) None
- 4) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Stefanie Reed moved, supported by Mary Johnson to approve the Advisory Council minutes from March 9, 2023, as presented – *motion carried* with the correction of the next meeting date.
- 5) **BOARD REPORT:** None.
- 6) **ILS MANAGER’S REPORT:** See written Report.
- 7) **MEMBER SERVICE MANAGER’S REPORT:** Amber shared information about Patron Point (getting access for reports), Capira (reach out to Amber for the webinar link and Amber is working to get ready for the new update), and training (if you have ideas or interests for training, email amber).
- 8) **COOPERATIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:** Carol shared information about the Spam emails still coming in from email. Carol notified the members that Lakeland will no longer host email.
- 9) **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
  - a) The incorrect youth services minutes were included. The correct minutes have been emailed.
  - b) Circulation committee minutes included for information.
- 10) **OTHER REPORTS:**
  - a) **MLA** – April 25 is legislative day, which will have 125 meeting with legislators in Lansing. The MLA legislative committee is also tracking libraries having issues and bills that pertain to libraries. May is predicted to be another busy month.
- 11) **ONGOING AND NEW BUSINESS:**
  - a) Intellectual Freedom Updates
    - i) Cierra Bakovka shared having challenges for the Bible and a LGBTQ+ picture book in the same week.
    - ii) Stefanie Reed gave a presentation to Flat River’s local rotary group regarding Intellectual Freedom.
    - iii) Belding Public Schools had a group at the school board meeting advocating against book bans.
    - iv) CAA #LETAMERICAREAD Campaign ([click here](#))
    - v) Algoma residents possibly received flyers containing misinformation regarding KDL.
  - b) Circ and Holds data – numbers are up
    - i) Belding and Henika report high circ and door count numbers
    - ii) Hastings reported high numbers of non-resident cards
- 12) **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
  - a) Merri Jo Tuinstra and Elyshia Hoekstra lauded the CoverOne machine.
  - b) Kamey Howe asked about the logistics and ethics of Cannabis companies donating
  - c) Stefanie Reed shared that Flat River is working with the Mid Michigan Health Department to distribute safe cannabis storage bags.
  - d) Henika has received three grants – two from the American Heart Association and one from the Allegan Community Association.
  - e) Mary Johnson is enrolled in a DEIB certificate program at Muskegon Community College and recommended it.

- 13) **NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, **May 4, 2023**, following the 9:30 AM Board Meeting at Kent District Library Service Center
- 14) **ADJOURNMENT:** Britney Dillon moved, supported by Jen Salgat to adjourn at 10:46 AM - *motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted by,  
Amber McLain