

**LAKELAND LIBRARY COOPERATIVE
BOARD MINUTES – Official
Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.
Kent District Library Service Center**

Present: Dale Parus, Maggie McKeithan, Diane Kooiker, Karen McKinnon, Shirley Bruursema, Lance Werner

Absent: Peggy Hemerling, John McNaughton

Staff Present: Carol Dawe, Sheryl VanderWagen,

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order at 9:31 a.m. by Dale Parus. There were 19 additional participants.
- 2) **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Lance Werner moved, supported by Karen McKinnon, to approve the agenda as presented - *motion carried*.
- 3) **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS:** None
- 4) **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None
- 5) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Shirley Bruursema moved, supported by Lance Werner, to approve the board minutes from February 10, 2022, as presented – *motion carried*.
- 6) **FINANCIAL REPORT:**
 - a) February Financials and Check Register: Motion by Lance Werner, supported by Maggie McKeithan to approve the February financial report and check register as presented – *motion carried*.
 - b) Pass-through account discussion (ARPA Grant): Carol Dawe reported that the reimbursement has come through for the first group of invoices. Stand-alone and solo library purchases have been completed and the content groups are currently working on their selections.
- 7) **PRESIDENT’S REPORT:** None
- 8) **COOPERATIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT:** Carol Dawe reminded everyone to check their directory pages and update staff and hours as needed. Complete the form for changes on the directory page.
- 9) **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - a) Advisory Council Official Minutes – January 13, 2022: included in the packet for information
 - b) Membership Ad Hoc Committee Reports – Nothing to report currently. The group will be meeting on Friday with Anne Seurnyck.
- 10) **NEW BUSINESS**
 - a) Strategic Planning update and discussion – to summit or not to summit: Motion by Lance Werner, supported by Karen McKinnon to accept the proposal for Strategic Planning from Amanda Standerfer for \$7,200 with an in-person summit – *motion carried*
- 11) **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There was a round of applause for retiring IT Manager, Thom Riley in appreciation of his years of service to Lakeland.
- 12) **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**
 - a) Dale Parus stated that Lakeland has benefited from the increase in population with an additional \$124,000 (amount corrected from what was stated) in state aid for this current fiscal year. Other areas in the state saw declines or status quo in their numbers.
 - b) Maggie McKeithan stated that Spring Lake has a Youth Services position open that is closing soon. The position is full time with benefits. She asked everyone to pass the word.
 - c) Karen McKinnon reported that Leighton Township Library recently hired a new youth services staff member. The new staff member also has a BA degree in Social Work so they will benefit from her expertise. Their addition is complete, but they are still waiting for the new shelving to arrive.

d) Shirley Bruursema reported that she will be doing a millage workshop on March 28 on ZOOM at 1:00 p.m. She reported that the MLA Advocacy Day was a success and received positive reviews from participants.

e) Lance Werner encouraged everyone to vote for Kelvin Watson for ALA President.

13) **NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, April 14, 2022, 9:30 a.m. at Kent District Library Service Center.

14) **ADJOURNMENT:** Lance Werner moved, supported by Karen McKinnon to adjourn at 9:48 a.m. - *motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted by,
Sheryl VanderWagen