LAKE LD LIBRARY COOPERATIVE
BOARD MINUTES – OFFICIAL
Thursday, January 11 at 9:30 a.m.
Kent District Library Service Center

Present: Diane Kooiker (HO), Ron Suszek (MADL), Joe Zappacosta (SM), Lance Werner (KDL), Carol Dawe (LLC), Maggie McKeithan (OS), Rob Bristow (OG), Kerry Fountain (IS/IV), John McNaughton (GRPL)
Lakeland Staff Present: Amber McLain, Ann Langlois
Absent: Dale Parus (IC)

1) CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 9:30 by Lance Werner.
2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Maggie McKeithan moved, supported by Rob Bristow, to approve the agenda as presented - motion carried.
3) QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS: There were no questions from members.
4) PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments.
5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Maggie McKeithan moved, supported by Rob Bristow, to approve the board minutes from November 9, 2023 - carried.
6) FINANCIAL REPORT:
   a) November & December Financials and Check Register: Ron Suszek moved, supported by Maggie McKeithan to approve the November & December Financials as presented - motion carried.
7) PRESIDENT’S REPORT
   a) Lance spoke about the evaluation process for Carol as the Cooperative director.
   b) Lance also spoke about the sub-committees of the board and their appointees.
   c) Lance informed the board that the Kent County Commission did not re-appoint Shirley Bruursema, therefore she is no longer an ex-officio member of this board.
8) DIRECTOR’S REPORT
   a) Carol spoke about the need for more consistent communication, and encouraged everyone to read the minutes and reports that LLC puts out.
   b) Carol also encouraged everyone to take part in the advocacy day coming up.
   c) Carol also highlighted an event that TLN is hosting on race and encouraged attendance.
9) COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS
   a) None
10) PUBLIC COMMENTS:

11) BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:
   a) Diane Kooiker – Herrick is finishing up the first phase of their renovation and hoping to be done within a month. Completed renovations projected by September.
   b) Ron Suszek – None
   c) Joe Zappacosta – Currently conducting a needs assessment and then will set goals, focusing on the annex building that Hackley owns.
   d) Maggie McKeithan – Maggie shared news on Spring Lake’s renovations and also shared a book called *I Didn’t Think of It That Way* by Monica Guzman.
   e) Rob Bristow – None
   f) Kerry Fountain – Kerry shared that IS/IV is also deep in renovations.
   g) John McNaughton – None, but happy to see everyone in person
   h) Lance Werner – KDL is calling 2024 the year of gratitude and is focusing on the loneliness epidemic. KDL is also focusing on esports.

12) NEXT MEETING: Thursday, February 8, at 9:30 a.m. at Kent District Library Service Center.
13) **ADJOURNMENT:** John McNaughton moved, supported by Rob Bristow, to adjourn at 9:52 - motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,
Amber McLain