Minutes of the Manitowoc-Calumet Library System Board of Trustees Meeting

March 30, 2022 New Holstein Public Library

The regular meeting of the Manitowoc-Calumet Library System Board was called to order at the New Holstein Public Library on Wednesday, March 30, 2022, at 5:36 p.m., by President of the Board, Ray Mueller.

Members Present: Deborah Brotcke, Ron Dietrich, Julie Grinde, , Chuck Krueger, Markus Ladd, Megan Marchant, Ray Mueller, Patrick Neuenfeldt, Darcie Schwalenberg-Kesler, Phil Vergowe

Members Absent: Jim Baumann, Cheryl Kjelstrup, Jeremy Sehloff

Others Present: Rebbecca Barry, Jeff Dawson, Amy Eisenschink, Bryan Grunewald, D Hankins, Rebecca Scherer, Jon Swanson, Margie Verhelst, Kate Verhelst

Minutes: A motion was made by Grinde and seconded by Vergowe to accept the minutes of the January 26, 2022, MCLS Board meeting. A change proposed by Kjelstrup via email prior to the meeting was presented. A motion was made by Dietrich and seconded by Krueger to accept the change and approve the edited minutes. Motion carried.

Review of 2021 Audit Financial Statements: Bryan Grunewald from CLA reviewed the 2021 audit financial statements with the Board. A motion was made by Dietrich and seconded by Krueger to approve the 2021 audit financial statements. Motion carried.

Member Library Directors' Reports: Reports were presented by D Hankins, Rebbecca Barry, Jeff Dawson, Amy Eisenschink, with a written report from Lydia Dill presented by Scherer.

Financial Business: A motion was made by Vergowe and seconded by Dietrich to approve the January and February 2022 financial reports. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dietrich and seconded by Krueger to approve the February and March 2022 payment of bills. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Grinde and seconded by Schwalenberg-Kesler to approve the LARS financial report through February 2022. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ladd and seconded by Neuenfeldt to approve the Reach Out and Read report through February 2022. Motion carried.

System Director's Report: A written report was included in the Board packets.

System IT/ILS Specialist's Report: A written report was included in the Board packets.

Office & Outreach Coordinator's Report: A written report was included in the Board packets.

Unfinished Business: Scherer reviewed the 2021 Manitowoc-Calumet Library System Annual Report with the Board.

New Business:

Set Dates for Manitowoc and Calumet County Library Advisory Committee Meetings: Dates of Wednesday, May 18th and Thursday, May 19th were discussed to hold the Calumet and Manitowoc County Library Advisory Committee meetings, respectively. The Calumet County meeting will be held at the Chilton Public Library, and the Manitowoc County meeting will be held at the Manitowoc Public Library. Both meetings will begin at 5:00 pm. A motion was made by Dietrich and seconded by Vergowe to set the meeting dates. Motion carried.

Approve Dental Coverage for Eligible MCLS Staff: Scherer presented information on MCLS provided dental coverage information from Delta Dental for eligible staff. Scherer would be the only employee requesting coverage at this time. A motion was made by Dietrich and seconded by Brotcke to dental coverage for eligible MCLS staff. Motion carried.

Trustee Education – Proposed Legislation – Senate Bill 1102: Scherer discussed the proposed legislation that could require public libraries and public schools to remove "harmful material" accessible to pupils and minors. It was noted this bill was proposed by legislators from the north-eastern Wisconsin area that have jurisdiction within the Manitowoc-Calumet Library System area. Although this legislation does not require immediate action, it is a bill for libraries and trustees around the nation to be aware of and to be prepared to address in the future.

Confirm date and set place for next meeting: The next MCLS Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at 5:30 p.m., at the Kiel Public Library.

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made at 7:19 p.m. by Dietrich and seconded by Neuenfeldt. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Verhelst