



**Meeting of the Board of Trustees
January 24, 2022
Minutes**

Trustees Present: G. Brandt, C. Corcoran, L. Giess, E. Hessney Lynch, P. Knapp, A. Moffitt, M. Shelly, M. Smith, S. Stockman (quorum present)

Trustees Excused: J. Lovenheim, E. Stephens

Staff and Guests: County Administration liaison, BJ Scanlon; County law liaison D. Crumb; FFRPL liaison D. Borgus; staff members B. Harrison, J. Lenio, M. Lewis, P. Uttaro, D. Mansour

Call to Order

Ms. Stockman called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. and confirmed that a quorum was present.

Public Comments

None

Mr. Corcoran joined the meeting at 12:02 pm.

Meeting Minutes

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Dr, Knapp AND SECONDED BY Ms. Giess to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2021 meeting as presented. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Claims

Ms. Harrison reviewed the claims and offered to answer questions. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Ms. Shelly AND SECONDED BY Ms. Giess to approve the claims as presented. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Professional Services Agreement with CampbellNet Solutions

Ms. Harrison reviewed the item. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. Corcoran AND SECONDED BY Ms. Giess to approve a professional services agreement with CampbellNet Solutions for an amount not to exceed \$5,000. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Amended Agreement, Disaster Recovery Backup Services

Ms. Harrison reviewed the item. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Ms. Shelly AND SECONDED BY Ms. Giess to approve the agreement with Tri-Delta Resources, Inc. for the services and term described. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MCLS-RPL Service Agreement

Ms. Uttaro reviewed the item. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Mr. Brandt AND SECONDED BY Dr. Knapp to approve the MCLS-RPL Services Agreement for the period January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

President's Report

Ms. Stockman welcomed BJ Scanlon as the representative from the Monroe County Executive's Office.

Next, she asked that all Board Committees be added to the future Board agendas beginning in March. Committee chairs will be asked to provide a written report on any committee activity. A list of current committees and chairs will be sent to all trustees.

Rochester Public Library (RPL) Board Liaison

Mr. Brandt's offered to answer questions about the written report. He asked Ms. Uttaro to give an update on the execution of the FamilySearch agreement with the RPL. She provided a brief background and then read the action item going to the RPL Board at their January 26, 2022 meeting.

Lastly, Mr. Brandt expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve with the RPL Board as the liaison from the MCLS Board and commended them for their important work.

Rochester Regional Library Council (RRLC) Liaison

Dr. Knapp reported the RRLC Board received an update from the RRLC president on the ARPA-funded project. The funding request for ARPA monies has not yet been approved despite the mandate to spend the funds by June 30, 2022. RRLC fronted the money to get the project started and has been assured the request will be approved.

The Board also reviewed membership dues and will be reviewing dues annually going forward.

RRLC is working to create a traveling Change-maker display in partnership with the Rochester Museum and Science Center.

The annual meeting will be virtual and held in May.

The RRLC annual report is linked in the Recommended Reading section of Ms. Uttaro's report.

Friends and Foundation of the Rochester Public Library (FFRPL) Liaison

Ms. Borgus reviewed the highlights of the FFRPL written report and offered to answer questions. She invited trustees to contact her if they are interested in attending Ms. Uttaro's Feb. 1 presentation at Valley Manor.

Director's Report

Ms. Uttaro introduced Jennifer Lenio as the Interim MCLS Associate Director. Then she offered to answer questions about the written report.

Ms. Stockman asked about the governor's veto on the e-books-for-all bill. Ms. Uttaro speculated that the American Library Association, The Urban Libraries Council, and other industry groups will continue to fight for more equitable pricing on e-books.

Ms. Giess asked if the consolidation of state funding will reduce the overall funding amount. Ms. Uttaro stated that as of now, it does not appear the consolidation will reduce overall funds.

Dr. Knapp added his congratulations to the library staff for their ongoing work and positive impact on the community.

Lastly, Ms. Uttaro reported the MCLS Director's Retreat has been postponed which will postpone the work on the MCLS Plan of Service. She is in the process of filling the Associate Director position and would like to have that person in place before holding the retreat.

MCLS Office

Ms. Lenio offered to answer questions about the written report.

She reported that March 2 is advocacy day. Ms. Gunther is already setting up appointments with legislators.

Central Library

Ms. Uttaro offered to answer questions about the written report. Ms. Uttaro shared that she received several security reports about patrons refusing to wear masks. This has also happened at many of the town libraries. Next, she reported Central Library evening hours have been reduced through the end of February due to staffing difficulties and transportation challenges for staff.

Other Business

Mr. Scanlon thanked Ms. Uttaro for the library's partnership with Monroe County to celebrate its Bicentennial.

Adjournment

A MOTION WAS MADE BY Ms. Shelly AND SECONDED BY Mr. Corcoran to adjourn the meeting. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Patricia Uttaro, Secretary