MONROE COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

1. At a Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Monroe County Library System held on April 10, 2017, at the South Rockwood Branch Library, the meeting was called to order by Chair Bourque at 5:02 p.m. Ms. Bourque declared that a quorum was present.

   Present: Maryanne Bourque, Chair; Catharine Calder, Secretary; Larry Gregory, Trustee; and Nancy Bellaire, Director

   Excused: Elizabeth Taylor, Trustee and Bernie Smith, Trustee

   Staff: Lou Komorowski; David Ross; Barbra Krueger

   A quorum being present, the Board proceeded to transact business.

2. Motion by Ms. Calder, supported by Mr. Gregory, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

3. Motion by Larry Gregory, supported by Catharine Calder, to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017 meeting. Motion carried.

4. Public Comment – None.

5. Consent Agenda − Motion by Mr. Gregory, supported by Ms. Calder, to accept the items on the consent agenda as presented, including the March 2017, Financial Reports, and place on file. Motion carried.

6. Committee Reports
   Finance Committee – The committee met prior to the board meeting with Director Bellaire to review financial reports for March as well as the financial correspondence. We have received about 56% of our expected revenue and expended about 20% of budget with 25% of the year complete.
   Facilities Committee – The Facilities Committee met on April 7 to discuss branch hours. A proposal for revised hours for 6 branches appears on the agenda.
   Policy and Personnel Committee – Policy and Personnel met on April 6. They discussed Teacher Cards and a pilot program proposed by Bedford to provide laminating for the public. Proposals related to both are on the agenda.
   Technology Committee – No meeting.
   Woodlands Update – MLA is helping libraries keep informed on proposed budget cuts and recommends that board members contact their congressional representatives to express their concerns.

   Legislative Update – Trustee Gregory indicated that the biggest topic at hand is President Trump's proposal to reduce or eliminate LSTA funds. Mr. Gregory suggested that board members review materials provided by Gail Madziar and Nancy Bellaire that breakdown

the services that would be at risk if the cuts were to take place.

7. Unfinished Business – None.

8. New Business − Motion by Larry Gregory, supported by Secretary Calder, to approve payment of the bills for the month ending March 31, 2017 in the amount of $270,243.40. Motion carried.
   Motion by Catharine Calder, supported by Larry Gregory, to approve the proposed pilot program to provide laminating for the public at the Bedford Branch. Motion carried.
   Motion by Ms. Calder, supported by Mr. Gregory, to approve the proposed hours modifications for Erie, Ida, Luna Pier, Navarre, Petersburg, and South Rockwood. Motion carried.
   Motion by Catharine Calder, supported by Larry Gregory to approve adding a Teacher Library Card category to our Circulation Policy, using the guidelines presented. Motion carried.

9. Director Bellaire shared a preview copy of the Monroe Bicentennial booklet and a Where to Turn Guide from the Information Center. She updated the board on the Community Conversations that are taking place in Dundee and Bedford as a result of the training provided by the Harwood Institute. She also reported that 171 new library cards have been issued in South Rockwood since the opening of the new branch.

10. Board Comments
    The board thanked David for hosting the meeting in South Rockwood and expressed their appreciation for all that the community and staff have done to make the new library project happen. Ms. Calder said that she is so happy to hear about the activities for children at the Oaks of Righteousness. Mrs. Bourque also thanked Barbra for working on the Teacher Card project and for her outreach efforts.

11. Public comment – David Ross shared some of the programs that have been implemented in South Rockwood since the building opened including weekly classroom visits from the Ritter Elementary School next door and an artwork project, with a gallery opening, called Ritter's Rembrandts.

12. Announcements
    Date of Next Board Meeting – May 8 @ 5 p.m. at the Dundee Branch, Dundee, Michigan

13. Adjournment
    Motion by Trustee Gregory, supported by Secretary Calder to adjourn the meeting at 5:32p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Catharine Calder, Secretary

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Maryanne Bourque, Chair