

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 May 14, 2018, at the Rasey Memorial Library, the meeting was called to order by Chair Bourque at 5:00 p.m. Ms. Bourque declared that a quorum was present.

Present: Maryanne Bourque, Chair; Bernie Smith, Vice-Chair; Catharine Calder, Secretary; Larry Gregory, Trustee; Mike Grodi, Trustee; and Nancy Bellaire, Director

Staff: Lou Komorowski; Shannen McMahon

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

2. Motion by Catharine Calder, supported by Larry Gregory, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Mike Grodi, supported by Cathe Calder, to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2018 meeting. Motion carried.
4. Public Comment – Shannen McMahon welcomed the board to Luna Pier and shared plans to partner with the Monroe YMCA to offer free lunches for children at the branch this summer. She will offer stories, Summer Reading Programs and other activities for them as well.
5. Consent Agenda – Motion by Ms. Calder, supported by Mrs. Smith, to accept the items on the consent agenda as presented, including the April 2018, Financial Reports, and place on file. Motion carried.

6. Committee Reports

Finance Committee – Secretary Calder reported that the committee met prior to the board meeting to review financial reports for April as well as the financial correspondence. We have received about 83% of our expected revenue and expended about 27% of our budget with 33% of the year complete. Penal fines are down almost 10% from last year's Jan-May totals, but we are on track to meet our conservative budget for this line item.

Facilities Committee – No meeting.

Policy and Personnel Committee – No meeting.

Technology Committee – No meeting.

Woodlands Update – Trustee Gregory thanked Nancy Bellaire for including Kate Andrade's draft Penal Fine report in the board packets and said that he plans to attend a Woodlands Governing Board meeting this week.

Legislative Update – The MLA legislative update was provided in the packet.

7. Unfinished Business – No report on a possible Tax Tribunal Appeal Cost Sharing Agreement.
8. New Business – Motion by Trustee Gregory, supported by Vice-Chair Smith, to approve payment of the bills for the month ending April 30, 2018 in the amount of \$198,241.31. Motion carried.
Motion by Cathe Calder, supported by Bernie Smith, to authorize Nancy Bellaire to send a letter of intent to Farber Speciality Vehicles to confirm MCLS’ interest in purchasing a Sprinter Bookmobile to serve children using the donation from the family of Korri Lake. Motion carried.
9. Director Bellaire shared Resilient Monroe Green Maps provided to us by the River Raisin Institute of Monroe, a photo of the new electronic sign in South Rockwood, and information about road construction planned for I-75 in 2019 and 2020 as well as information about free upgrades to our Employee Assistance Program. Nancy will attend the Detroit Suburban Round Table meeting on Friday and will be a presenter at the Woodlands “Care and Feeding of Library Buildings” workshop on May 24.
10. Board Comments
The board thanked Shannen for hosting the meeting in Luna Pier. Mike Grodi said that he enjoyed touring the branches and that he has fond memories of the Luna Pier School. Bernie Smith thanked Nancy Bellaire for writing a tribute to Bernie Margolis in the most recent MCLS newsletter. Larry Gregory thanked Nancy Bellaire and staff for the careful planning and research for the Lake Donation and bookmobile project. Cathe Calder thanked Nancy Bellaire for representing MCLS at Bernie Margolis’ funeral events and said that the Lake Donation is an incredible tribute to Korri, and said that it is also a tribute to the hard work that Library Staff do every day. She complimented Nancy Bellaire on leading the staff in a way that triggers this generosity. Maryanne Bourque thanked Nancy for the updated Penal Fine report and the article from Foster Swift on Trustee matters.
11. Public comment – None.
12. Announcements
Date of Next Board Meeting – June 11 @ 5 p.m. at the Frenchtown-Dixie Branch.
13. Adjournment
Motion by Larry Gregory, supported by Mike Grodi to adjourn the meeting at 5:31 p.m.
Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Catharine Calder, Secretary

Maryanne Bourque, Chair