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South Central Library System Board of Trustees Minutes
10/24/2019, 12:15 p.m.
4610 S. Biltmore Lane, Suite 101, Madison, WI 53718
Badger and Chester Rooms

Action Items:

Approved and signed the petition to address Macmillan Publishing's embargo of electronic materials to libraries. <https://ebooksforall.org/>

Approved the creation and releasing a statement from the SCLS Board supporting the petition and condemning the Macmillan embargo. This statement will be put on the SCLS website and Facebook page and a press release will be distributed.

Present: A. Bhasin, F. Cherney, P. Cox, M. Furgal, J. Healy-Plotkin, J. Honl, N. Long, M. Meloy, K. Michaelis, M. Nelson, G. Poulson, T. Walske, A. Weier, C. Whitsell

Absent: N. Brien, M. Hokamp,

Excused: N. Foth, P. Nelson, K. Williams

Recorder: H. Moe

SCLS Staff Present: M. Van Pelt, K. Goeden

Call to Order Time: 12: 15 p.m. J. Healy-Plotkin, President

- a. Introduction of guests/visitors: Joshua Klingbeil, CIO for the Wisconsin Valley Library Service, was introduced.
- b. Changes/additions to the agenda: None
- c. Requests to address the Board: None

Approval of previous meeting minutes: 09-26-2019

- a. Motion: C. Whitsell moved approval of the 09-26-2019 minutes. G. Poulson seconded.
- b. Changes or corrections: None
- c. Vote: Motion carried.

Bills for Payments:

- a. Motion: A. Weier reviewed the bills for payment in the amount of \$554,644.88 and moved approval. M. Furgal seconded.
- b. Discussion: None
- c. Vote: Motion carried.

Financial Statements:

Presentation: Workforce Development – Mark Jochem. You may view the PowerPoint presentation in the board documents online.

Committee Reports:

- a. Advocacy: N. Long noted that the petition regarding Macmillan Publishing's embargo of electronic materials to libraries should be signed by every library board.
- b. Personnel – System Director's evaluation: N. Long noted the committee met to discuss M. Van

Pelt's goals and evaluation. N. Long will write up the official evaluation to be placed in Van Pelt's personnel file.

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- a. Approve and sign petition to address Macmillan Publishing's embargo of electronic materials to libraries. <https://ebooksforall.org/>
 - i. Motion: C. Whitsell moved approval. A. Weier seconded.
 - ii. Discussion: None
 - iii. Vote: Motion carried.
- b. Create and release statement from the SCLS Board supporting the petition and condemning the Macmillan embargo. This statement will be put on the SCLS website and Facebook page and a press release will be distributed. The board authorized the Board President to review and approve the statement written by the SCLS staff.
 - i. Motion: C. Whitsell moved. P. Cox seconded.
 - ii. Discussion: Will the verbiage of the letter be shared with the board? Mark Ibach and M. Van Pelt will draft a press release and the board president will approve the release and a copy will be provided to the board in their November board packet. M. Van Pelt noted the WPLC website has the information available informing the public about the long wait to receive a copy, since there will be only two downloadable copies available.
 - iii. Vote: Motion carried.

SCLS Foundation Report: M. Van Pelt noted the Friends of the LaValle Public Library have joined the foundation. The Cornerstone event was attended by 62 people. The award winners were Rome, McFarland and Monticello. M. Van Pelt thanked the following board members for attending the event: J. Healy-Plotkin, N. Long, G. Poulson and T. Walske. Donations are still encouraged.

System Director's Report: You may view the report online. M. Van Pelt noted that she and K. Goeden met with First Business Bank for their quarterly meeting. The SCLS Foundation is invested in stocks and SCLS is invested in bonds. Both accounts are doing well. The Marathon County Library Board invited SCLS to provide a presentation of the services we offer. M. Van Pelt, the SCLS coordinators, L. Oathout, director of PCPL and Susan Lee, MPL, attended. The Marathon County Library Board is forming a task force to do further investigation and at their December board meeting, Wisconsin Valley Library Service will be providing a presentation.

Discussion:

a. WLA Conference – J. Healy-Plotkin attended. M. Van Pelt and K. Schneider attended the pre-conference and noted the "So you want to talk about race" presentation was great. The WLA Conference is a good educational opportunity and SCLS pays for the board's WLA membership and trustees receive a reduced rate to attend the conference. Three sessions of the conference are available via recorded webinar.

Next year the conference will be held in Green Bay.

b. Madison Public Library article on publishing embargo: J. Healy-Plotkin noted MPL also provided an article regarding overdue fines. MPL is seriously considering going fine free.

Administrative Council (AC) Report: The AC met October 17, 2019. You may view the minutes online.

Information Sharing:

M. Furgal noted the Monticello Public Library provided an article in their town newsletter about the award they received at the Cornerstone Event.

The Dane County Library Service provides homebound delivery. *The Dream Bus* which is run by Dane County hits pockets that don't have libraries and provides service to areas that need it. Any library can contract *The Dream Bus* and schedule it to come to their library. The bus has Wi-Fi and books can be check out.

P. Cox noted he sold his house and bought a condo.

The November board meeting will be held Friday the 22nd and the December meeting will be held Friday the 20th.

This will be the last 2019 board meeting attended by M. Van Pelt since she begins her FML on November 12. Kerrie Goeden will serve as the on-site director in her absence.

Adjournment: 1:18 p.m.

For more information about the Board of Trustees, contact Martha Van Pelt

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