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SCLS Board of Trustees Minutes
July 26, 2018 12:15 p.m.
SCLS Headquarters
Chester and Badger Rooms

Action Items: None

Present: A. Bhasin, N. Brien, F. Cherney, P. Cox, J. Harrington, J. Healy-Plotkin, J. Honl, N. Long, K. Michaelis, M. Nelson, P. Nelson, A. Weier, K. Williams

SCLS Staff: M. Van Pelt, K. Goeden

Absent: M. Hokamp, A. Pawlak,

Excused: M. Furgal, N. Hughes, M. Meloy, A. Mueller, R. Seltzer

Recorder: H. Moe

Call to Order: K. Michaelis, President, called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m.

- a. Introduction of guests/visitors: None
- b. Changes/additions to the agenda: None
- c. Requests to address the Board: F. Cherney's great nephew, Austin Schulfer, was drafted by the Minnesota Twins. P. Behling has resigned from the board due to health issues.

Minutes: A. Weier moved approval of the June 28, 2018 minutes. P. Cox seconded. Motion carried.

Bills for Payments: P. Cox reviewed the bills for payment in the amount of \$188,710.46 and moved approval. N. Brien seconded. Motion carried.

Financial Statements:

Presentation: Trustee Essential #17 – Membership in the Library System – P. Nelson discussed the Trustee Essential #17 as well as a deeper history of public libraries and system membership.

Committee Reports:

- a. Advocacy: M. Nelson noted items from the ALA District Dispatch (<https://www.districtdispatch.org/>). The Marrakesh Treaty Implementation Act, which facilitates access to published works for persons who are blind, visually impaired or otherwise print disabled, passed the Senate. Federal funding for library priorities in fiscal year 2019 will have level funding for LSTA and IAL (Innovate Approaches to Literacy). The Senate provided an additional \$2 million increase for IMLS. The IMLS increase in the Senate bill is targeted for administration and research but will not increase library grant programs. No floor time has been scheduled for appropriations in the House and Senate. Please send a thank you to Congressman Marc Pocan and Senator Tammy Baldwin for their support in pushing it forward.
- b. Personnel: The committee met last week to review the System Director's goals.

- c. Budget & Finance/Personnel Committees will meet August 16th at 2:00 p.m.

Action Items:

- a. SCLS Board of Trustees October Meeting date 10/25 or 10/19 due to conflict with WLA Conference in LaCrosse on 10/25. SCLS Foundation meets in October also. Stick with the 25th. The board determined the meeting date would remain 10/25/18.

SCLS Foundation Report: M. Van Pelt noted because P. Behling has resigned from the SCLS Board, a trustee is needed to fill her position on the Foundation Board. Please let M. Van Pelt and/or K. Michaelis know if you're interested in serving on the Foundation board. The committee four times a year following the SCLS board meetings.

System Director's Report: M. Van Pelt noted the LaValle Public Library is in search of a new director. Pam Thompson's last day at LaValle is August 6th. S. Brommer and M. Van Pelt have been working on the executive summaries regarding SOAR and the SCLS Strategic plan. M. Van Pelt met with P. Lovelace to discuss the possibility of WLA joining the SCLS Foundation.

Discussion: None

Administrative Council (AC) Report: All Directors met July 19, 2018. You may view the minutes online. The fees were voted on and all were unanimously approved.

Three board members attended the All Directors meeting: K. Michaelis, A. Bhasin, J. Healy Plotkin, as well as P. Hamon, Foundation trustee.

Other Business: None

Information Sharing:

M. Nelson recommended a book: *When Books Went to War: The Stories that Helped us Win World War II*, by Molly Guptill Manning.

K. Michaelis and J. Healy-Plotkin would like to receive information about the Inclusive Services Institute report.

M. Van Pelt will contact S. Brommer and see if she can do a presentation to the board.

The next board meeting will be held on August 23, 2018

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.

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