

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LINCOLN TRAIL LIBRARIES SYSTEM

DATE: February 20, 2006
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE: LTLS HEADQUARTERS, CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Nina Pals, PresidentAltamont
James P. Quisenberry, Vice PresidentUrbana
Allen Lanham, Treasurer.....Charleston
Laura Barnes, SecretaryChampaign
Jennie Cisna.....Mattoon
Garold Eaglin.....Marshall
Rochelle FunderburgChampaign
Paula Kaufman.....Urbana
Sharron KreiderAshkum
Rosanne Reidner.....Ogden
Anieta TrameMattoon
Kathy Wickline.....Champaign

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Donna MinerRantoul

OTHERS PRESENT:

LTLS StaffChampaign
Jan Ison, Executive Director
Amani Ayad, Diversity Consultant
Pat Boze, Consultant
Amanda McKay, Diversity Consultant
Maria Nowak, Consultant
Donna Schaal, Consultant
Joe Sciacca, Consultant
Randi Weiss, Consultant-Library Interpreters Network

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President Nina Pals called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken with 12 members present, 1 absent.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following Consent Agenda was presented:

A. Approval of Minutes of the December 19, 2005 Meeting

B. Approval of Treasurer's Report

• Schedules of Checks

473 Check Nos. 46375 through 46429

473.1 Check Nos. 32465 through 32526 and

473.2 OCLC

474 Check Nos. 46430 through 46492

• Schedules of Activity

473.3 Illinois Funds-Money Market Fund

473.4 The Illinois Funds-Prime Fund

473.5 BankIllinois Grant Account

473.6 Illinois Funds OCLC account

Investment Summary

Petty Cash Report as of January 11, 2006

Mr. Quisenberry moved to approve the Consent Agenda; Ms. Kaufman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken:

Yes – Barnes, Cisna, Eaglin, Funderburg, Kaufman, Kreider, Lanham, Quisenberry, Reidner, Trame, Wickline, Pals

No – None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – none

DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Jan Ison

Ms. Ison introduced Amanda McKay, Consultant. She reviewed the December and January Consultants' reports, highlighting Media Mall and the PolyTalk and Diversity grants. Ms. Ison notified the Board of an email from the Illinois State Library with a survey of questions pertaining to the ISL Strategic Plan.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Barnes presented three action items from the Membership Committee:

•Action Item No. 2006-8 Membership Review-Continued Eligibility

The Lincoln Trail Libraries System Board of Directors Membership Committee reviewed FY2005 Annual Profile Summaries and membership eligibility during its meeting on February 6, 2006. Ten libraries were determined eligible for continuing membership with no concerns, based on their FY2005 Annual Profile Summaries.

•Action Item No. 2006-9 Membership Review-Continued Eligibility with Concerns

The Lincoln Trail Libraries System Board of Directors Membership Committee reviewed FY2005 Annual Profile Summaries and membership eligibility during its meeting on February 6, 2006. The following libraries were determined eligible for continuing membership with concerns, based on their FY2005 Annual Profile Summaries.

A Herr Smith & E.E. Smith Loda Township Library (bibliographic access)

Blue Ridge Township Public Library (bibliographic access)

Charleston CUSD #1 (bibliographic access)

Clifton Public Library (staffing)

Crestwood CUSD #4 (bibliographic access)

Danville Area Correctional Center (bibliographic access)

Fisher Unit 1 School District (bibliographic access)

Goose Creek Township Carnegie Library (bibliographic access)

Homer Community Library (bibliographic access)

Kansas CUSD #3 (staffing)

Melvin Public Library (bibliographic access)

Oakland CUSD #5 (bibliographic access)

Sidney Community Library (bibliographic access)

West Union District Library (bibliographic access)

Westville CUSD #2 (bibliographic access)

•Action Item No. 2006-10 Membership Review – Continued Eligibility with Concerns for Danville Correctional Center Library

The Lincoln Trail Libraries System Board of Directors Membership Committee reviewed FY2005 Annual Profile Summary and membership eligibility for Danville Area Correctional Center Library during its meeting on February 6, 2006. This developmental library is approved for continued developmental membership in Lincoln Trail because of improved access to bibliographic resources for the library staff. However, the membership committee noted that this library must continue to work to meet the membership criteria for bibliographic access of its collection.

The Board was unanimously in favor of Action Item No. 2006-8, Action Item No. 2006-9, and Action Item No. 2006-10.

ILLINOIS STATE LIBRARY REPORT – none

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Ms. Ison

Ms. Ison noted that a listing of FY2006 School Library Per Capita Grant Awards is in the Board packet.

NEW BUSINESS – none

DISCUSSION/PLANNING

Ms. Ison reported that the Secretary of State’s budget request is \$510,500 less for school and public per capita and library systems. All of this will be absorbed by library systems. The Illinois State Library had another funding reduction also. Ms. Ison gave a PowerPoint presentation and reported that there has been a 20.23% reduction in funds in 6 years (does not include federal funding). Discussion followed to answer the question, “What should we do?” Suggestions included asking libraries to send letters to the Secretary of State and to our legislators, identifying one service that has meaning to the constituents and making an argument for that service throughout the state, educating our member libraries about the budget cuts and how they can speak out to their legislators, and developing a list of talking points for letters to legislators.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Ison reminded the Board to sign up for Illinois Library Day to be held March 1, 2006 in Springfield.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Pals moved to adjourn the meeting; Ms. Barnes seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Approved by the Lincoln Trail Libraries System Board of Directors on Monday, March 20, 2006.

Nina Pals, President

Laura Barnes, Secretary