

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

DATE: October 17, 2005

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
Rochelle FunderburgChampaign
Paula Kaufman.....Urbana
Sharron KreiderAshkum
Donna MinerRantoul
Rosanne Reidner.....Ogden
Anieta TrameMattoon
Kathy Wickline.....Champaign

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

Garold EaglinMarshall

OTHERS PRESENT:

Vandella Brown, Illinois State LibrarySpringfield
Yasuyo Inoue, Mortenson Center AssociateJapan
Tamaki Mine, Mortenson Center AssociateJapan
Luis Rosales Puerto, Mortenson Center AssociateColombia
LTLS StaffChampaign
 Jan Ison, Executive Director
 Pat Boze, Consultant
 Donna Schaal, Consultant
 Joe Sciacca, Consultant
 Adrian Van Buskirk, Business Manager
 Amy Weber, Consultant
 Vanessa Whippo, Consultant
 Karen Wilkinson, Communications Manager

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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 September 19, 2005 Meeting

B. Approval of Treasurer's Report

- Schedules of Checks

470 Check Nos. 46202 through 46261

470A Check Nos. 46262 through 46262

470.1 Check Nos. 32300 through 32385; 470.1A Check Nos. 1002 through 1004

- Schedules of Activity

470.2 Illinois Funds-Money Market Fund

470.3 The Illinois Funds-Prime Fund

470.4 Bank Illinois Grant Account

470.5 Illinois Funds OCLC account

Investment Summary

Petty Cash Report as of October 5, 2005

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

Yes - Barnes, Cisna, Funderburg, Kaufman, Kreider, Lanham, Miner, Quisenberry, Reidner, Trame, Wickline, Pals

No - None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - none

DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Jan Ison

Ms. Ison reviewed the September Executive Director and Consultants' reports. She reported that the new diversity web site is up (<http://www.librarydiversity.info>) and offers downloadable bookmarks and flyers in five languages that can be customized for each library. Much more content will be added to the site during the second year of the grant project. Staff participated in the Latino Partnership of Greater Champaign County's first Latino Fiesta, an event designed to make Latino families aware of the services available in their community.

Ms. Ison said that the LTLS Strategic Planning Committee discussed the LTLS Mission and Vision at their meeting in September. A 40th anniversary celebration for Illinois library systems was held during ILA Conference in Peoria. A large panel of historical information and photos was made for each system. The Illinois State Library will devote an issue of *Illinois Libraries* to the systems. Board members were given a

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copy of the FY2005 Illinois Library Systems Annual Report developed by LTLS staff. Board members also received a copy of the FY2005 LINC Report and Lincoln Trail's FY2005 Annual Report that was prepared for the Illinois State Library. Ms. Ison noted from the Statistical Summary that circulation has increased 11% over last year, items delivered has increased 19%, and reciprocal lending 10%.

Joe Sciacca explained Lincoln Trail's LSTA grant project that will develop a volunteer network of bilingual interpreters (PolyTalk) to help people with limited knowledge of English make better use of the library.

Ms. Ison distributed a draft schedule for Board members to visit libraries and asked the Board to notify her of any changes needed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - none

ILLINOIS STATE LIBRARY REPORT - Vandella Brown

Ms. Brown announced that Try-It! Illinois 2005, the database trial that is free to staff and patrons of ILLINET libraries, began October 1 and will run through November 30, 2005. She said that LSTA reporting workshops have been scheduled and that diversity programs have been scheduled as part of diversity month at the State Library.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS - none

DISCUSSION/PLANNING

Staff and Board members who attended the Illinois Library Association Annual Conference each described a program that was a highlight. Programs reviewed were: the keynote address by Stephen Abram, Vice President of Innovation at SirsiDynix, entitled Service at Google Speed—How Libraries Must Compete; Michael Gorman Speaks: Perspective of the ALA President; ILSDO Fortieth Anniversary Celebration; Empowering Library Staff to Meet the Technology Needs of Spanish-Speakers by Tammy Dobonye and Hector Marino; Customer Service vs. "The Rules" by Gail Johnson; Creating a Fund Development Office by Emily Kicklighter; How Free is Our Press? by Robert McChesney; If Change is So Good, Why Aren't We Having Fun? by Gail Johnson; and Innovative Customer Service Practices in Libraries Around the World by Susan Schnuer and Mortenson Associates.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sharron Kreider announced that the Central Citizens' Library District in Clifton will celebrate its 10th anniversary in November. Mr. Lanham announced that Eastern Illinois University's Booth Library will host an exhibition called "Frankenstein, Penetrating the Secrets of Nature" from October 17-November 22, 2005.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Barnes moved to adjourn the meeting; Ms. Kaufman seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

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Approved by the Lincoln Trail Libraries System Board of Directors on Monday, November 21, 2005.

Nina Pals, President

Laura Barnes, Secretary