

**LINCOLN LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD MEETING
MAY 21, 2014
LINCOLN LIBRARY**

Board Present: Mark Denzler; Jennifer Walsh Hammer, Vice President; Katherine Starks Lawrence; Donna Lynn; Marty Ryan, President; Anthony Schuering, Secretary/Treasurer; Stuart Shiffman.

Board Absent: Davida Faniel.

Staff Present: Jeff Blazis, Fiscal Officer; Nancy Huntley, Director; Lois Morse, Assistant Director.

Public Present: None.

President Ryan called the meeting to order at 11:33 a.m.

MINUTES: Ms. Hammer made a motion to approve the October 2013 Board minutes. Mr. Denzler second the motion. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT & BILL LIST: The April 2014 financial report and bill list were reviewed.

INTRODUCTIONS: New staff members Eve Stano, Reference Librarian, and Colleen Sargent, Electronic Resources Librarian, were introduced to the Board. The library staff level remains at 39. There are two vacancies.

(Mr. Schuering arrived at 11:36 a.m.)

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

2nd Floor Renovation – Shelving has been moved and carpeting is being laid. The new reference desk has arrived. Delivery of furniture for the reading room, study rooms and computer areas is expected in a few weeks. The floor may re-open to the public in mid-June. A more formal, grand re-opening may be scheduled for August.

Summer Reading Program – “Paws to Read” is the theme for the 2014 summer reading program for kids, teens and adults. The program will kick off on June 7 and run through July 26. The Friends of Lincoln Library have underwritten the cost of the prizes.

FRIENDS OF LINCOLN LIBRARY: The annual summer book sale is scheduled for June 13 and 14, 2014. Volunteers are needed for all shifts. Anyone who can assist should contact Director Huntley.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee – See Board Elections under New Business.

NEW BUSINESS --

Board Elections – On behalf of the Nominating Committee, Mr. Shiffman proposed the current slate of officers (Martin Ryan, President; Jennifer Walsh Hammer, Vice-President; Anthony Schuering, Secretary) be retained. Mr. Denzler made a motion to accept the Nominating Committee's recommendation. Ms. Lynn second the motion. The motion carried.

2014 Meeting Dates – The Board last met in October 2013, as several members are finding a 5 p.m., Wednesday meeting does not fit their schedule. Following much discussion, Mr. Shiffman made a motion that the Board hold meetings in 2014 at 11:30 a.m. on July 23, August 27, September 24, October 22 and December 3. Mr. Ryan second the motion and the motion carried.

As in the past, a release with the approved annual meeting dates and times will be sent to media and posted on the first floor of the library. In addition, the dates and times will be added to the library website. Mr. Shiffman will look into the Open Meeting Act regulations/procedures to verify the Board is in compliance.

Non-Resident Agreement – Illinois State Law does not mandate participation in the Non-Resident Card Program; however, Director Huntley recommends continued participation. Mr. Schuering made a motion to continue offering a non-resident card. Ms. Hammer second the motion. The motion carried.

Non-Resident Fee – Using the mathematical formula recommended by the Illinois State Library, the one-year non-resident card fee would remain unchanged at \$80. Mr. Schuering made a motion to keep the non-resident card fee at \$80. Ms. Hammer second the motion. Motion carried. The new fee will go into effect on July 1, 2014.

It was noted that the average citizen of Capitol Township pays \$78 annually for library service. Customers purchasing a non-resident card must do so at the library geographically closest to their property. Holders of nonresident cards do have access to the State Journal-Register Historical Archive. The Lincoln Library Foundation's contract with News Bank prohibits the selling of archive access. Usage statistics for the archive will be available for the July meeting.

First Night Springfield -- Mr. Schuering made a motion to again allow the Springfield Area Arts Council to use the Carnegie Room, after library hours, for First Night, with the understanding the Council will pay half the Security Guard salary for the evening. Mr. Ryan second the motion. The motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM: None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 12 p.m.

Submitted By Kim Hergett