



Mission Statement

The Lincoln Public Library supports and enriches our community by offering programs, services and materials for the life-long learning pursuits of culture, recreation, education, information technology and social connections.

Members Present: Donna Burton, Donna Edwards, John Kralt (Chair)

Regrets: Murray Cluff, Nick Kuhl, John Ripley, Lynn Timmers

Absent: Wayne MacMillan, Leah Padfield

Staff Present: Jill Nicholson (CEO), Janice Coles (DCEO, Recorder)

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm. Recognizing that there was not a quorum, it was agreed to dispense with the formal agenda. Instead, the Chair and staff updated the Board members present on a number of items.

Meeting Date and Time

The Chair noted that two of the four members who sent their regrets for tonight's meeting are unavailable on Tuesday evenings in September, October and November. It was agreed to poll all Board members regarding Thursday evening meetings for the rest of 2015.

The Chair added that another Board member may need to resign due to health issues; if that happens, the Town will have to post the vacancy. The Chair asked Board members to encourage people they think would be strong members to consider joining us.

Financial Report

The CEO reviewed the report. Everything is on target.

Statistics

The DCEO reviewed sections of the report, highlighting the increase in the circulation of physical items, the note regarding database use, the new social media statistics, the expected decline in new memberships and the active members. The Chair questioned the LPL number of active members as compared to the Fleming and MFR numbers; the DCEO will investigate.

Those present agreed that it would be helpful to know how many Lincoln residents have cards. The DCEO will ask the Technical Services Coordinator to obtain that statistic at the end of each year.

The DCEO noted that, as indicated in her report, the summer teen programs at Fleming were all cancelled due to lack of interest.

D. Edwards asked what volunteers do; the CEO and DCEO responded that they clean picture books, help set up for programs, deliver books for visiting library patrons, and run selected adult programs. Most are teens completing their community hours.

Staff

The CEO gave an update on the staff member who is on short-term leave. D. Burton offered to get a card that the Board could sign at the upcoming strategic planning meeting.

Programs

The CEO noted that she obtained a large amount of yarn from McNally House, and the Knitting Club is turning it into afghans and slippers for the residents.

Fleming Library Parking

The CEO noted that the Beamsville Farmers' Market is finished for the season, so there will be extra parking spaces on Saturday mornings.

Surveys

The CEO encouraged all Board members to submit their surveys by this Thursday so she could have them collated by Saturday morning.

Sunday Opening

D. Burton asked the CEO how the first Sunday opening went. The CEO responded that it went well. The door count was 129. A number of people coming to drop items in the drop box didn't realize Fleming was open and came in; others were supporting the library on its first Sunday open in many years.

The meeting ended at 7:45 pm. The next meeting date is to be confirmed.

Chair _____

Secretary/Treasurer _____