

Negaunee Public Library Board

March 21, 2017

1. Call to order
2. Secretary's Report (Approval of the Minutes)
3. Public Comment
4. Financial Report
5. Communications
6. Librarian's Report
7. Unfinished Business
 - a. Library clerk hired
 - b. Library long-range planning
 - c.
8. New Business
 - a. Next month's meeting date
 - b.
9. Adjourn

Next meeting: April 18, 2017?

Officers:

President: Al Sundine

Vice President: Jeanne Sandstrom

Secretary: Laura Jandron

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Minutes of the meeting of Feb. 21, 2017.

Members present: L. Jandron, Dave Nelson, L. Perucco, J. Sandstrom, J. Holman, Library Director.

Absent (exc.) A. Sundine

Meeting called to order by J. Sandstrom at 10:20am. Minutes of previous meeting approved as read.

Public Comment: None

Financial Report: Monthly report received from J. Holman. All bills paid as of Feb. 1, 2017.

Communications: None

Librarian's Report: On Feb. 2nd, J. Holman attended an ALS meeting at the Superiorland Library Cooperative.

Library annual report for 2016 was received.

The Valentine's Tea and Book Sale held on February 14th by the Friends of the Library was very well attended. Approximately 140 people enjoyed the luncheon, and the book sale earned about \$198.00 for the Friends group.

Unfinished Business: We are now, officially the Negaunee Public Library Board.

(no longer the cable board)

New Business: The idea of a temporary library card (online) that can be used for one week, then going to the library for a "physical" card has been approved by the library board for a six month trial. Motion made by L. Jandron, 2nd by L. Perucco. Motion passed.

We also need to be thinking ahead about long range planning and library services for our library.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40am.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Jandron, Secretary
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Financial Report

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All bills were paid March 1, 2017.

Bills to be paid April 1, 2017:

Baker & Taylor	148.27
McNaughton Books	89.25
MicroMarketing	107.98 (audiobooks)

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Librarian's Report

The library's meeting rooms have been busy lately. The Upper Peninsula Animal Welfare Shelter continues to use the Reading Room for a monthly committee meeting. The Board of Review met several times in the Michigan Room this month. A tutor from Negaunee High School is meeting twice a week with a student. The "Essential Oils 101" class offered by the Northern Vegans was well-attended.

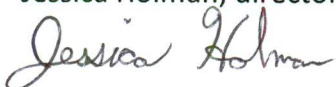
Jean Montgomery, technology and network administrator at the Superiorland Library Cooperative, held the "deconstructing computers" workshop Monday, March 13. Attendance was lower than anticipated, but the three girls who did attend had a wonderful time taking apart and exploring old computers. Hopefully another session can be held this summer.

Jessica will be speaking at the *Evening at the Archives* event in conjunction with Northern Michigan University's Diversity Reader Program at 7 p.m. this Thursday in Mead Auditorium. The subject is *The Skeletons in our Closet: The KKK in Michigan*, and Jessica will discuss the photograph of the Klan rally that is in the library's possession.

The Marquette-Alger Reading Council is holding its annual Reading Day at the Mall from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 8, in the Westwood Mall. It is a fun time for children of all ages to receive a free book (from board books for babies through novels for teens), and listen to stories read by Northern Michigan University students, who will dress as characters from beloved storybooks. Libraries are encouraged to attend and promote their services, and Jessica will be there.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Holman, director



Federal Budget

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Fri, Mar 17, 2017 at 8:38 AM

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Lynne Wiercinski of the Ironwood Carnegie Library sent me a link to the ALA news items about the new Federal budget <http://www.ala.org/news/press-releases/2017/03/president-s-budget-proposal-eliminate-federal-library-funding> and asked if I could explain what it means to Superiorland Library Cooperative member libraries and Michigan libraries in general.

Library Services and Technology (LSTA) funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) is directed to each state in the nation according to a population based formula. Each state has the ability to determine how those funds are used.

The elimination of the IMLS would effectively end LSTA funding for libraries in the U.S.

Michigan's LSTA funding goes to the Library of Michigan. The Michigan LSTA funds total \$4.3 million. The majority of these funds are used to support the Michigan electronic Library (MeL). The MeL databases cost approximately \$4.9 million each year. LSTA funds in the amount of \$3.15 million and funds from the Library of Michigan and Michigan Department of Education (\$1.75 million) are used to provide MeL to Michigan residents.

The Library of Michigan uses some of the LSTA funds to pay for Library of Michigan staff, continuing education and as announced recently, competitive grants for Michigan libraries.

I know the Library of Michigan received the first ½ of their LSTA funds earlier this year. State Librarian Randy Riley said that IMLS said that they hoped the second ½ would follow, but wouldn't make any promises.

The Michigan library community will have to work very hard to make federal legislators understand how important these funds are to the services that improve the lives of the residents we serve. In addition, we may have to make some hard decisions about the Library of Michigan and the services and programs it offers.

I think most of us are reeling from the news reports detailing all of the impacts that will be felt from these budget cuts. It is hard to know just where to start. I have had conversations with Cooperative Directors about how we mobilize our member libraries to share the importance of our services. I will continue to keep you informed about what that message should be and how we should deliver it. In the meantime, reach out to your Federal Representative and Senators to tell them how you feel. If you talk to Michigan Reps and Senators, let them know how important the Library of Michigan and MeL are to our libraries.

If you have questions, please contact me.

Pam Christensen

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