Lincoln Public Library District Board Of Trustees Meeting February 20, 2025

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm by President Rohrer.

Members Present:

John Aton

Roger Michalsen

Kathy Papesch

Ed Jeffries

Susan Rohrer

Tom Zwilling

Keith Leesman

Also Attending:

Mike Starasta

Donna Cunningham

Caroline Kiest

II. Additions to the Agenda: None

III. Executive Session: None

IV. Public Comments: None

V. Approval of Minutes

Keith Leesman made a motion to approve the minutes of both the January 16, 2025 Regular Board Meeting and the February 6, 2025 Committee Meeting. Motion was seconded by Tom Zwilling and approved.

VI. New Business

A. Financial Reports

It was clarified that the rental income from the new tenant appears on page 7 and 12 of the financial reports. Ed Jeffries questioned membership expense on page 9 being so much over budget. It appears that there is a classification discrepancy between where line items appear in budget and actual columns. Tom Zwilling made a motion to accept January Financial Reports as presented. Motion was seconded by Ed Jeffries and approved.

B. Donna Cunningham Report

The Taylor Swift event was very successful. There was a large and enthusiastic turnout of Swifties. There was a meeting for youth librarians at Mt. Zion. Ideas and inspirations for new youth activities were exchanged

C. Caroline Kiest Report:

No questions regarding her report. Kudos were given to Donna for her efforts to expand youth activities and to Ashley for designing new library tee shirts.

VII. Old Business

A. Mystery Event

March 15 was mentioned as a tentative date. More information will be forthcoming.

B. Carnegie Roof

Messing Roofing from Peoria may start repair work in the next two weeks.

VIII. Director's Report

- A. Winter reading program ends next week.
- B. Susan Rohrer will compile director evaluations submitted by board members and discuss results with him shortly before the March board meeting.
- C. Langston Hughes poetry reading will be held in Carnegie Building tonight.
- D. Kathy Papesch noted that an audit for the current fiscal year will be necessary because of the revenue threshold. A request for proposals will need to be sent to possible auditing firms.
- E. Roger Michalsen noted that a letter to City of Lincoln regarding the condition of the alleyway between Carnegie and Annex buildings brought no response. Keith Leesman contacting the city council regarding action needed to repair unsafe and unsound condition of the alley.

IX. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by John Aton and seconded by Ed Jeffries. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Submitted by,

John Aton