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**Lapeer District Library
Regular Meeting of November 21, 2024
Marguerite deAngeli Library
Minutes**

24R.12.01 Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by board chair, W. Marquardt.

24R.12.02 Roll Call:

Bill Marquardt	City of Lapeer	12/31/2026	Present
Amanda Renius	County (Marathon Township)	12/31/2024	Absent
Kari Kohlman	County (Deerfield Township)	12/31/2027	Present
Kelly Nolan	Lapeer Township	12/31/2024	Present
John DeAngelis	County (Metamora Township)	12/31/2027	Absent
Perry Valle	County (Metamora Township)	12/31/2025	Present
Dr. Neena Sharma Schons	Mayfield Township	12/31/2025	Present

Quorum is 4. There are 5 Board members present.

Also present are D. Brigati, LDL Director; Y. Brown, Assistant Director for Technical Services; K. Haight, incoming Technical Director; and P. Presby, recorder.

24R.12.03 Public Comments: Two Lapeer residents spoke during this time.

24R.12.04 Additions/Deletions/Approval of agenda: K. Nolan moved to accept he agenda as presented. Seconded by N. Sharma Schons. Motion carried.

24R.12.05 Consent Agenda: The chair summarized the four points of the consent agenda. P. Valle moved to accept the consent agenda as presented. Seconded by K. Kohlman. Motion carried.

Board Reports:

24R.12.06 Treasurer: P. Valle, board treasurer, moved to pay bills from October 19, 2024-November 21, 2024: Checks #15452-15487 from General Checking for \$36,953.30; bill pay GC42311-4266 from General Checking--Online Bill Pay for \$17,682.35; and bill pay Payroll Checking—Online Bill Pay for \$151,652.68 for a grand total of \$206,288.33. Seconded by K. Nolan. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

24R.12.07 Finance No report.

Lapeer County Report:

24R.12.08 W. Marquardt read the email from T. Kohlman to the board. The following updates were included: 1.) Torzewski County Park renovations are going along. The park is expected to be open next summer. 2.) Beginning next year renovations on the court house are expected to begin. 3.) T. Mast was appointed to the library board replacing A. Renius whose term has expired. 4.) J. Arnold is retiring and J. Bennett will replace her as interim CFO. 5.) Last election Lapeer early voters set a record—57,000.

Unfinished Business:

24R.12.09 2025 Budget Summary Approval: P. Valle moved to approve the Budget Summary. Seconded by K. Nolan. Motion carried.

24R.12.10 Permission to Open Columbiaville Branch December 1, 2024 from 12 pm to 4 pm for Columbiaville Community Christmas: P. Valle moved to approve of the opening. Seconded by K. Kohlman. Motion carried.

Staff Reports

24R.12.11 Director A written report was submitted. The state aid report is in final review. Staff evaluations have started. Restructuring interviews and hires have taken place. Noted were some statistics of interest compared to November of last year—874 more library cards and 700 more reference questions. There have been 90 programs with 5,374 in attendance.

24R.12.12 Assistant Director for Technical Services A written report was submitted which included the introduction of K. Haight as new Assistant Director for Technical Services.

Communications:

24R.12.13 2025 Budget Summary

24R.12.14 FLC Contract Draft

24R.12.15 Columbiaville Newsgram

24R.12.16 Library Newsletter

24R.12.17 HB 6034/6035 FRIENDS REPORT: The Friends have 200 sets of ribbon wrapped books and 67 baskets for sale displayed at the deAngeli branch. Their wares will also be at the Columbiaville Community Christmas.

Board Comments or Request for Information:

24R.12.18 The FLC Contract Draft is essentially the same as last year.

24R.12.19 In response to a comment made during Public Comment time, a board member expressed concern about a resident's post about the book It's Perfectly Normal taken down because it was deemed to be in a category of childhood exploitation.

- 24R.12.20** Well wishes were extended all around to Yvonne Brown’s coming retirement and to Kara Haight’s new appointment.
- 24R.12.21** **MMLC Report:** No report. Next meeting is in January.
- 24R.12.22** **Public Comments:** None.
- 24R.12.23** **Adjournment:** N. Sharma Schons moved to adjourn. Seconded by K. Nolan. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm

Regular Meeting: Marguerite deAngeli Library
January 16, 2025
Finance Committee 4:30 p.m.
Full Board 5:30 p.m.

Pat Presby – Recorder

Amanda Renius – Secretary

Bill Marquardt– Chair