

LCRTA BOARD MEETING

KIRTLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

MARCH 4, 2024

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Louise Bennet, Debbie Deal, Joyce Dick, Pat Humphrey, Ginny Keller, Char Langer, Bonnie Lillibridge, Marion Lipinski, Lynn Miller, Tom Moscovic, and Cathy Szuter.

ABSENT: Connie Irvin, Dave Morse, Sherry Niederkorn, Tim Niederkorn, Greta Pate, Karen Sawitke, and Mary Sleeman.

President Cathy Szuter called the meeting to order at 1:02.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes of the December 4, 2023 board meeting were approved as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Pat Humphrey reported a total of all monies as of March 4, 2024 to be \$12,394.00 which included \$2,403.43 in Scholarship monies. The report will be filed for audit. Pat also submitted the following reports:

- LCRTA Revenue and Expense Summaries for all accounts year ending December 31, 2023.
- The audit of the 2023 books which was completed on February 28, 2024, where all was found to be in order.

SOCIAL/TRAVEL TREASURER'S REPORT: Lynn Miller reported a total of all monies as of March 4, 2024 to be \$3820.54. The report will be filed for audit.

Lynn stated that on May 17, 2023 a check was made out to the Lake County Captains. Because they could not find that check, another check was made out on Nov. 16, 2023. The December checking account statement showed that the amount had been deducted twice. The Captains will be sending a check for \$324.00.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PROGRAM: Christopher Gilcrest will relate the Top Ten Stories on the Great Lakes.

MEETING: Joyce Dick mentioned that at the general meeting last month there were 4 walk-ins, which caused problems. Orders are due one week before the luncheon. Joyce also stated that there will be a flag, podium, and microphone at the next meeting.

The luncheon will include: Tomato-basil soup, salad, chips, a choice of Beef Sandwich on Sourdough, Turkey Sandwich on 9-Grain Bread, or Vegetarian wrap and cookies.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION: Louise Bennet reported that donations will be made to United Way. A list of desired items will be posted in the Newsletter.

SOCIAL/TRAVEL: Lynn Miller reported on the following:

- The committee met on Feb. 8, 2024 and all members were present along with new member, Vickie Zablotny.
- On Feb. 25, 2024, 22 people attended "Cats" at Willoughby Fine Arts. Kathy Kling organized that trip.
- May 24, 2024 – Lake County Captains. The registration form and check need to be sent to Sherry Niederkorn by May 10th.
- June 27, 2024 – "Tuesdays with Morrie" at Rabbit Run. An optional dinner will be held at Jennifer William's home. The reservation form and check need to be sent to Sherry Niederkorn by May 30th.
- August 11, 2024 – "Beautiful, The Carol King Musical" at The Beck Center. There is an optional dinner in Mentor afterwards. The reservation form and check need to be sent to Sherry Niederkorn by June 14th.

- August 29, 2024 – Goodtime III and Lakeview Cemetery. The reservation form and check need to be sent to Kathy Kling by August 10th.
- October 10-20, 2024 – Hawaii Cruise – there is room for 6 more people.
- December 3-4, 2024 – Tara Mansion and contact is Sarah Reinhard.

LEGISLATIVE: Tom Moscovic reminded everyone to vote on March 19th. Tom also wants members to know that there is nothing wrong with STRS.

- The charter school industry does not have regulations regarding accountability and transparency. Charter schools should have the same laws, standards, and regulations as public schools. Vouchers hurt public schools.
- Two new education bills have been introduced to the House. HB 408 is to ensure school meals for any students who request them and HB 411 is to increase base teacher salaries to \$50,000 per year.

SCHOLARSHIP: Tim Niederkorn sent the information that the deadline for applications is March 15, 2024. The applications will be emailed to the committee members for reading and scoring on April 5th and the committee will meet on April 12th to select the finalists that will be notified for interviews. Interviews will take place on April 17th and 18th and the winners will be notified on April 19th.

There will be a Dine-to-Donate at Longhorn Steakhouse in Mentor on April 11, 2024 from 11am – 10 pm.

VIRGINIA MLAKAR ENRICHMENT FUND: Ginny Keller said that Jane Pastor has joined the committee. The recipient of the award is Noreen Stout from Willoughby-Eastlake. Noreen teaches a 6th – 8th grade multi-handicapped class and requested the money to cover a wheelchair accessible bus to attend a Luau Field Trip in May.

SUNSHINE/REMEMBRANCE: Ginny sent sympathy cards to Jim Jamieson on the death of his daughter and to Pat Mazzolini on the death of her husband.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Shery Niederkorn will write articles for the April meeting. Shery will also create a Powerpoint and requests information for the slides.

WEBSITE: Shery has everything on the website updated.

YEARBOOK: Char Langer and Bonnie Lillibridge asked for input on wording when adding the Mlakar Enrichment Fund to the Standing Rules in the Yearbook.

DIRECTORS: Marion Lipinski volunteered to be a Director.

OLD BUSINESS – Need for a Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and President-Elect for 2025

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Newsletter articles are due March 8, 2024
- General Meeting – April 9, 2024
- Board Meeting – May 6, 2024

Debbie Deal

Recording Secretary