

**LCRTA BOARD MEETING  
MAY 7, 2018  
KIRTLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**BOARD MEMBERS**

- **PRESENT:** Sherry Barbieri, Louise Bennet, Debbie Deal, Pat Humphrey, Bonnie Lillibridge, Sue McCarter, Lynn Miller, Tom Moscovic, Pat Newyear, Sherry Niederkorn, Tim Niederkorn, Greta Pate, Joyce Peoples, Karen Sawitke. Guest: Bette Pollino.
- **ABSENT:** Terri Herbert and Dave Morse.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Karen Sawitke called the meeting to order at 1:03.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Minutes from the March 5, 2018 board meeting were approved as written.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Pat Humphrey reported the total of all monies as of May 7, 2018 to be \$11,189.71, which included \$2,762.32 in scholarship monies. The report will be filed for audit. Pat has also E-filed with the IRS for the 2017 tax year.

**SOCIAL/TRAVEL REPORT:** Lynn Miller reported the total of all monies as of May, 7, 2018 to be \$5175.27. The report will be filed for audit.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**PROGRAM:** The General Meeting in June will be held at the Coach House. It will include chicken or pasta primavera, baked potato and green beans at the cost of \$17.00. Greta Pate moved to raise the price of the lunch to \$18.00 to help pay for the cost of the lunches for the scholarship and grant winners. The motion was unanimously defeated because there is money allocated in the budget for this expense.

**COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION:** Louise Bennet reported that Pat Norris won the free lunch in June for having the most volunteer hours for the year. Louise stated that donations in June would be a food drive for either 68 Hours of Hunger or United Way.

**SOCIAL/TRAVEL:** Lynn Miller reported that 23 people were going to see The Hunchback. Wooster Light Opera has 35 signed up and the due date is May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Members and guests can sign up for the Captain's Baseball Game on July 29<sup>th</sup>, with reservations due by July 16<sup>th</sup>.

There are 29 people signed up to go to Iceland.

Sherry Niederkorn reported that the Ohio Potpourri trip scheduled for Aug. 15-17<sup>th</sup> needs eight more people and the money is due in ASAP.

A Christmas trip to Pittsburgh is being planned for Dec. 8, 2018.

There will be a travel interest form at the next luncheon meeting.

Karen Sawitke reported that the newsletter flier can handle one more piece of paper, so a social flier could be included.

**LEGISLATIVE:** Tom Moscovic discussed that HB 512, which is designed to restructure educational agencies and their duties, would not be good for public education.

He also addressed the epidemic of anxiety among today's students.

Local school districts stand to recover money lost to troubled Charter Schools with the House passage of HB 87.

The Department of Education offered grants to teachers who agreed to teach subjects like math and science at lower-income schools, but a government study has determined that many are not receiving this money.

State Auditor David Yost determined that ECOT illegally used taxpayer's money to pay for political ads aimed to attack the Ohio Department of Education.

**SCHOLARSHIP:** Tim Niederkorn reported that the Scholarship Committee graded the eight scholarship applications and interviewed five candidates. The committee selected two candidates to be awarded \$1300 apiece. The winners will be invited to the June luncheon. The Scholarship Committee would like to find a more substantial method of funding the scholarship so more students can be helped. The possibility of a Dine to Donate or Reverse Raffle was mentioned.

Karen thanked Tim and his committee for the new rubric.

**SUNSHINE/REMEMBRANCE:** Greta Pate reported the following cards sent:

To Grace McHugh, travel friend with LCRTA, upon her cancer diagnosis.

To Mary Ann Bugno who suffered a fall.

To John Sanders upon the death of his wife, Bernice.

To Robert Godfrey upon the death of his mother, Martha.

To the family of Dorothy Musial upon her death.

To Pat Mazzolini for a fractured wrist.

To Terri Herbert who is at Ahuja Main Campus.

A card will be sent to the family of Patricia Davis if an address can be obtained.

**HISTORIAN:** Joyce Peoples is not in need of any photographs at the moment.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** Sherry Niederkorn and Greta Pate will advertise the June meeting.

The News-Herald stated that there is no guarantee it will be printed. Karen suggested contacting Jeff Shell.

**YEARBOOK:** Bonnie Lillibridge submitted a yearbook report. A total of 250 yearbooks were ordered. The total cost of the yearbooks for 2018 was \$777.29. Karen thanked Bonnie for preparing the yearbooks.

**NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE:** Karen is working on updating the website.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Karen thanked all for work on the combined meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A Nominating Committee will be appointed at the June meeting. The committee must consist of one member from the Executive Board and two other members.
- The scholarship and grant winners will be speaking at the June meeting.
- Robin Rayfield, Executive Director for ORTA, will be attending the June meeting to discuss membership dues issues.
- If a membership change is made to collect \$10 for LCRTA and have members send money directly to ORTA, a change in the by-laws must be made.
- Stella Hull is the representative for Lake and Ashtabula Counties.
- A list of retirees is needed.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Newsletter articles due no later than May 13, 2018 but earlier would be appreciated.
- The next General Meeting will be June 12, 2018 at the Coach House.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30.

Debbie Deal  
Recording Secretary