

*The Mission of LARL is to link people and communities  
to resources and experiences  
for learning and enrichment.*

**LARL BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES**

**A meeting of the Lake Agassiz Regional Library Executive Committee was held on Thursday, October 18, 2007 at the Moorhead Branch. President Perry called the meeting to order at 5:55 p.m.**

**Executive Committee Members Present:** Ellingson, Jacobson, Kochmann, Perry.

**Executive Committee Members Absent:** Eid, Melby, Saar.

**Others Present:** Fredette, Stroh

**PUBLIC INPUT.** None.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**(Ellingson/Kochmann) Moved to approve the Agenda as presented. MCU.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**(Ellingson/Jacobson) Moved to approve the August 16, 2007 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes as presented. MCU.**

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

We have received the Maintenance of Effort (MOE) 2006 make-up contribution from Becker County. Our staff mileage reimbursement budget is already used up for the year so we will end up going over budget on that line item. The IRS standard mileage rate had increased \$.04 for 2007, the 2008 rates have not been announced yet.

An RFP for delivery services was sent out in September and we have received six proposals. Stroh will review the proposals and present them to the Finance Committee in December.

LARL received a grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in 2005-2006 for the purchase of new public Internet computers. Now, one year after the end of the grant period, the Foundation requires that a final report be submitted.

**(Kochmann/Jacobson) Moved to authorize the Director and staff to submit to State Library Services the Final Report for the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Staying Connected Grant. MCU**

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### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The Library Strategies study is wrapping up and we have just received the report. One of the suggestions coming out of the report is that we take a one year break from adding any more LINK Sites so that we can evaluate them and set benchmarks.

Our contract with Northwest Regional Library to provide automation services will expire at the end of this year.

Fredette attended a meeting with the other Library System Directors to discuss Minimum Level of Support/MOE. Some counties in the state would like to eliminate the Minimum Level of Support for libraries. There may end up being a statewide meeting to discuss this further.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

None.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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