

## **Metronet Governing Board Meeting · Tuesday, March 17, 2015 · 3:00 p.m. · Suite 320**

Present: Jean Doolittle, Jenny McElroy, Donna Nix, Paul Ryberg, Maggie Snow

Staff: Ann Walker Smalley-Metronet, Deanna Sylte-Metronet, Olivia Moris-Metronet

### **I. Call to order**

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m.

### **II. Approval of agenda**

*Donna Nix moved to approve the agenda; Paul Ryberg seconded; approved unanimously.*

### **III. Minutes of 1/20/15 meeting**

*Jean Doolittle moved to approve the 1/20/15 minutes as written; Maggie Snow seconded; approved unanimously.*

### **IV. Approval of January and February 2015 Bills**

The Board reviewed the checks written from January and February.

*Paul Ryberg moved to approve the January and February 2015 checks written; Donna Nix seconded; approved unanimously.*

### **V. Financial Statements – January and February 2015**

Informational only.

### **VI. Old Business/Updates**

#### **A. MILI**

MILI is going well in both Minneapolis and St. Paul. Both districts would like to participate again in the 2015-16 school year and Metronet is working to determine how many sessions can be offered, etc. Metronet would like to have another session with the paraprofessional staff, but specifics with their contracts may cause issues. Ann noted that we are still hoping to work with at least one new school/district in 2015-16.

#### **B. Libraries and Service Delivery Consultant Group**

A copy of the report was provided to the board. Ann gave a brief overview and noted that there were no surprises in the recommendations.

#### **C. Teen Lit Con**

2015 Teen Lit Con will be held on May 9 at Henry Sibley High School from 10:00am to 4:00pm. The goal is to have 1000 attendees. Planning is going well – authors, breakout sessions, exhibit hall – everything is mostly ready.

#### **D. Camp Read-A-Lot**

This year's Camp will be held on August 6 at the Como Zoo Visitor's Center. So far we have about 66 registrants, but it's early. This year's author is J. Patrick Lewis and the booktalker is Kathleen Baxter.

#### **E. Library Legislative Day**

Library Legislative Day was held on March 3. Of the 23 scheduled appointments, only two were cancelled. One of the platform issues is a request for additional funding for the seven multitypes – a raise from \$1.3M to \$2.6M annually. The last increase was in 2007 so everyone is hopeful. The regional public library systems are also asking for an increase of approximately \$5M annually.

Ann noted that there are 17 people registered for "Not Your Grandma's Library" through OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute). Over eight weeks she and Melinda Ludwiczak will introduce attendees to various libraries in the Twin Cities.

## **VII. New Business**

### **A. Continuing Education Scholarships**

The board reviewed the scholarship applications from Stacey Hendren to attend MILE, Kristin Jones to attend MILE, and Rosalyn Obando to attend ALA in San Francisco.

*Paul Ryberg moved to approve the scholarship application from Stacey Hendren; Donna Nix seconded; approved unanimously.*

*Maggie Snow moved to approve the scholarship application from Kristin Jones; Paul Ryberg seconded; approved unanimously.*

*Maggie Snow moved to approve the scholarship application from Rosalyn Obando; Paul Ryberg seconded; approved unanimously.*

## **VIII. Director's Report**

AWS gave an overview of Metronet activities (written report provided to board).

## **IX. Other / Board Sharing**

- Jenny McElroy noted that she is running for Secretary of the ALA Reference & User Services Division History section
- Jean Doolittle is running for Vice President/President-Elect of ALA's Retired Members Round Table

## **X. Next Meeting – May 19, 2015**

**XI. Adjourn** - The meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm.