

## **Metronet Governing Board Meeting · Tuesday, November 15, 2016 · 3:00 p.m. · Suite 320**

Present: Jean Doolittle, Lisa Gearman, Jenny McElroy, Donna Nix, Tom Shaughnessy, Diane Wallace-Reid  
Staff: Olivia Moris, Ann Walker Smalley, Deanna Sylte

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

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m.

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

Add 7c. Need new public library representative  
*Revised agenda approved unanimously.*

### **III. Minutes of 9/20/16 meeting**

*Diane Wallace-Reid moved to approve the 9/20/16 minutes as written; Donna Nix seconded; approved unanimously.*

### **IV. Approval of September and October 2016 Bills**

The Board reviewed the checks written.

*Tom Shaughnessy moved to approve the September and October 2016 checks written; Lisa Gearman seconded; approved unanimously.*

### **V. Financial Statement –October 2016**

Informational only.

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

#### **A. MILI**

Working with a small - but committed - group in Minneapolis this year. Metronet also received an inquiry from The Friends School, where the librarian is a graduate of MILI. The hope is to start working with them this year with a modified program and begin next year as usual.

The one-page summary of the MILI program that was requested was provided with the meeting materials. Tom Shaughnessy asked about the possibility of a video promoting MILI, which will be considered.

### **VII. New Business**

#### **A. Strategic Plan**

The survey seeking input on the strategic plan provided some good feedback, but not enough. Ann discussed the situation with Emily Kissane at the State Library, who agreed that postponing a full re-write of the plan until additional input could be gathered would be acceptable. Ann updated the current plan and will work on a new five-year plan that will be submitted with the FY18 application.

Some highlights include an additional focus on the academic-school connection in student readiness, more meet-up-style events, a possible shadow program to let school library media specialists and academic librarians see what each other's work is like, what questions students ask, etc.

*Jean Doolittle moved to approve the updated Strategic Plan; Diane Wallace-Reid seconded; approved unanimously.*

#### **B. Upcoming Events**

December 14 – Wind Down on the library at Downton Abbey

January 17 – Wind Down at Quatrefoil Library

C. Public Library Representative

Maggie Snow has to resign from the Metronet Board due to a scheduling conflict in her duties as director of the Anoka County Library. Ann will advertise in MetroBriefs, talk to Ken Behringer at MELSA, etc.

**VIII. Director's Report**

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

**IX. Other / Board Sharing**

- Jenny is running for chair-elect of the ALA Reference & User Services Association – History Section committee.

**X. Next Meeting – January 17, 2017 (possibly will change due to conflict with Wind Down)**

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