Lester Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting Tuesday, March 11, 2008 7:00 PM

Community Room of the Lester Public Library

President Patrick Gagnon called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Present: Sharon Stone, Patrick Gagnon, Kirsten Miller, Teri Wagner, Brenda Krause, Wayne Schultz, Terry Schumacher, Rick Henrickson, Sheridan O'Rourk, and Joyce Beth (7:06). Also present: Director Jeff Dawson, and Recording Secretary, Elaine Olszewski-Steckler.

Moved by Wayne Schultz, second by Brenda Krause to accept the minutes of February 12, 2008. Motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Rick Henrickson, second by Terry Schumacher to accept the January 2008 financial reports as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

There were no committee reports.

Director Dawson submitted his written report for February to the board. He was pleased to announce that the library has hired Susan Menk as the new part time reference associate. Dawson responded that the library is still working on refining data when asked by President Gagnon about the Statistics Report.

Councilmember Wayne Schultz reported to the board that two meetings are scheduled for this month to be televised locally. The first is on the 17th Street Bridge, and the second is on the rate increase for the Public Utilities.

School District Representative Kirsten Miller reported budget cuts for the district. The 4K Program has been approved and will be funded.

Nothing to report from the County Board.

Unfinished business - Moved by Joyce Beth, second by Rick Henrickson to adopt the Bylaws as presented. Voice vote carried unanimously. President Gagnon noted the Bylaws are effective immediately.

Sheridan O'Rourk moved to adopt the Emergency Policy 05-01-01 and 05-02-02 as presented, second by Kirsten Miller. The members agreed to leave the procedure portion P-05-02-03 of the Emergency Policy and Procedure to the Director's discretion to change without board approval. Motion approved unanimously.

Director Jeff Dawson reported to the board his intent to contact investment advisors regarding the Library's investment account. Consensus of the board is to contact the advisors recommended by City Hall, and seek out any additional advisors as necessary. Dawson will schedule future presentations to the board.

Jeff distributed copies of the narrative explaining the "NO" response to the System Effectiveness on the Library's Annual Report. Members read the narrative and agreed to the same.

New Business – President Gagnon stated this would be the first read-through of proposed changes to the Children in the Library Policy. Dawson noted several changes requested by the board and will present the amended proposal at the April meeting.

No trustee education held at this meeting.

President Gagnon announced the Library Board of Trustees reserves the right to enter into Closed Session, per Wisconsin Statues 19.85(1)(c) which allows closed sessions when the employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee under the jurisdiction of the particular government body is being considered. President Gagnon stated purpose for the closed session is the Director's annual review, no discussion on union negotiations will take place during this closed session. Rick Henrickson moved to enter into closed session, second by Kirsten Miller. President Gagnon stated the board will reconvene for the purpose of adjournment only, with no action to be taken. Roll call vote: Sharon Stone – yes, Patrick Gagnon – yes, Kirsten Miller – yes, Teri Wagner – yes, Brenda Krause – yes, Wayne Schultz – yes, Terry Schumacher – yes, Rick Henrickson – yes, Sheridan O'Rourk – yes, Joyce Beth – yes. The Lester Public Library Board of Trustees moved into closed session at 7:57 PM.

Sheridan O'Rourk moved to reconvene in open session, second by Brenda Krause. Motion carried unanimously. The board reconvened at 8:15 PM.

Rick Henrickson moved to adjourn, second by Sharon Stone. Meeting adjourned 8:16 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine Olszewski-Steckler

Recording Secretary