LESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

July 9, 2013 6:00 PM

Community Room of the Lester Public Library

Call to Order – President Patrick Gagnon called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call – Members Present: Larry Thomas, Collette Tegen, Ned Guyette, Robert Fay, Kay Koach and Patrick Gagnon. Excused: Rick Henrickson, Judy Stuebs, Sharon Stone and Kirsten Miller. Also Present: Adult Services Coordinator Chris Hamburg and Director Jeff Dawson.

President Gagnon introduced and welcomed Larry Thomas as the newest Lester Public Library Board of Trustees member,

Public Comment - None

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve minutes of June 11, 2013 made by Tegen, second made by Guyette. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Expenditures & Financial Reports – Motion to accept and file the June 2013 financial reports – Detail Ledger, Balance Sheets, Revenue and Expense Details, SII financials, and Edward Jones financials made by Fay, second made by Thomas. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Board Member Comment - None

Director's Report – Discussed Governor Walker's veto of the DOA study of library systems.

Report from City Council Representative – No report

Report from School District Representative – No report

Report from County Representative – No report

Strategic Plan – Held a visioning session discussion: If money were no object, what would you like to see at the Lester Public Library in the next five years.

Fay: Expanded parking; a multi-seat auditorium with a stage, seating for 200 to 300 people

Koach: Extend staffing to reinstate lost library hours – expand hours back to 9 AM to 8:30 PM Mon.-Thu. Guyette: Doorway to patio seating in the front lawn; café serving coffee and tea could be a revenue generator Tegen: Promote a slogan (vision) that emphasizes digital services (current plan slogan – 'A library card in every pocket.'); create marketing that raises awareness of services such as 1-on-1 computer classes.

Thomas: Increase technology training sessions for the public, i.e. ebook training on how to access, checkout and place holds on ebooks.

Gagnon: Throughout the next five years promote the library as the 'community cultural center' – the library is the leader in technology where the public can learn about and access new technologies via the library. The library is the safety net for those who can't afford or have direct access to technology. The library remains distinctive by maintaining the heritage of Two Rivers; maintaining and accessing the collective history of our community.

Unfinished Business:

• Appointing Board Committees, Larry Thomas agreed to fill the vacancies on the Administrative and Negotiation Committees. All other appointments from 2012-2013 remain the same.

New Business:

• First review of the Disposal of Library Property Policy.

Closed Executive Session - None

Board Education: Dawson described his process for evaluating staff that reports directly to the director.

Motion to adjourn made by Guyette second made by Koach. Voice vote carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Dawson, Director