

Northern Michigan Library Network  
Board of Directors  
Minutes of the Meeting of March 21, 2019

**CALL TO ORDER:** A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Northern Michigan Library Network was held at the Superiorland Library Cooperative and via Zoom conferencing service. The public was invited to participate at the Superiorland Library Cooperative; 1615 Presque Isle Avenue; Marquette. Shawn Andary, Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m. eastern.

**Board Members Present:**

At Superiorland Library Cooperative: Shawn Andary, Chair (representing Superiorland Library Cooperative) and Andrea Ingmire and Bruce MacDonald, Secretary/Treasurer (representing Peter White Public Library)

Zoom: Megan Buck and Renee Augustine (representing Dickinson County Library) and Lisa Waskin and Richard Conboy (representing Superior District Library)

**Others Present:** Pamela Malmsten (SLC staff), Recorder

**Board Members Absent:** Stephanie Swenski (representing West Iron District Library) and Deb Friedman (representing Superiorland Library Cooperative)

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** A **motion** was made **to approve the agenda as presented** (MSC Andrea Ingmire/Bruce MacDonald). Motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** There was no public participation.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF September 6, 2018:** A **motion** was made **to approve the minutes of September 6, 2018 as presented** (MSC Renee Augustine/Bruce MacDonald). Motion carried unanimously.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Pam Malmsten presented the financial report.

Approval of Disbursements and Year to Date report as of March 21, 2019: Cash disbursements for October 1, 2018 – March 21, 2019 were reviewed. Disbursements were for the annual financial audit and Directors and Officers insurance. All NMLN invoices are paid by the Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation on behalf of NMLN. Pam Malmsten summarized the YTD Expense and Revenue Report as of March 21, 2019. Total YTD revenues were \$0.00 and total expenditures were \$1,918.

A **motion** was made **to approve cash disbursements of \$1,918 for October 1, 2018 to March 21, 2019 and the year to date expense and revenue report as of March 21, 2019** (MSC Lisa Waskin/Andrea Ingmire). Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Financial Audit Report as of September 30, 2018: The annual independent audit of NMLN's financial records for the year ended September 30, 2018 was previously distributed to Board members and posted on the NMLN web site. A **motion** was made **to accept the NMLN audit for the year ended September 30, 2018** (MSC Bruce MacDonald/Megan Buck). Motion carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Report on Board Terms and Membership:

1. *Superiorland Library Cooperative:* Shawn Andary was appointed to replace Pam Christensen, who resigned from the NMLN Board on December 31, 2017. Shawn's term expired on March 20, 2019.
2. *Superior District Library:* Richard Conboy was appointed to replace Rae Klobucher, who resigned from the NMLN Board; Richard's term expired on March 20, 2019.

Both Shawn and Richard will be reappointed to the NMLN Board by their local boards.

**OTHER DISCUSSION:**

At previous meetings the NMLN Board had discussed the possibility of dissolving NMLN. The Board again briefly discussed this issue and it was agreed that Shawn and Pam would compose a draft list of dissolution "pros" and "cons" and send the document to the NMLN Board for feedback. The possible dissolution could then be included as an agenda item at the joint SLC/UPRLC meeting scheduled for May 17, 2019 at the Peter White Public Library.

**SET DATE AND TIME FOR NEXT NMLN BOARD MEETING:** It was agreed that the next NMLN Board meeting would be scheduled for Thursday, September 5, 2019 at 2 p.m. eastern (1 p.m. central).

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce MacDonald, Secretary

Pamela Malmsten, Recorder