# SUBURBAN LIBRARY COOPERATIVE 44750 Delco Blvd Sterling Heights, Michigan 48313 Board Meeting May 27, 2021

I. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Diane Barr.

Trustees present: Diane Barr (Armada), Murney Bell (Chesterfield), Wilma Wagner (Eastpointe), Marlene Hoeft (Fraser), Stan Lisica (MacDonald), Liane Miller (Romeo) calling in from Bruce Township and Frank Pasternak (Warren).

Trustees excused: Freda Witt (Center Line) and Amy Wille (Clinton-Macomb).

Staff present: Tammy Turgeon, Pat Linsday

- II. Approval of the Agenda Motion made by Lisica to approve the Agenda, supported by Bell. Motion Carried.
- III. Approval of the March 25, 2021 Minutes Motion made by Wagner to approve the March 25, 2021 minutes, supported by Hoeft. Motion Carried.
- IV. Public Participation None
- V. Member Library Concerns

The MacDonald Public Library has hired a lawyer to investigate becoming a 10a library and separating from the city on New Baltimore. Questions remain about who actually owns the library building. A milage proposal has been approved for the August ballot for Chesterfield Township Library. The Fraser Public Library is having difficulties over who owns and maintains the library building. The Fraser Public Library conducted a survey for a library milage and the proposal has some support.

# VI. Action Items

A. Approval of the Bills

- 1. Payment of the bills for April 2021 was approved on a motion by Lisica, supported by Bell. Motion Carried.
- 2. Payment of the bills for May 2021 was approved on a motion by Wagner, supported by Hoeft. Motion carried
- B. Budget Reports

Pasternak moved to receive and file the April 2021 Budget Reports, supported by Lisica. Motion Carried.

C. Investment Report/Finance Committee Report

Pasternak moved to receive and file the Investment/Finance Committee Report, supported by Bell. Motion Carried.

D. SLC Personnel Policy Revision

Lisica made a motion to approve the SLC Personnel Policy Revisions after being reviewed by an attorney at Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith P.C. as recommended by the SLC Board at the February 25, 2021 meeting. The motion was supported by Pasternak. Motion Carried.

# E. OverDrive Magazines Purchase

Pasternak made a motion to approve the purchase of OverDrive Magazines for all SLC libraries for one year (May 1, 2021 – April 30, 2022) at a cost of \$40,332.37. The motion was supported by Bell. Motion Carried.

F. Update Policies Regarding MelCat

Wagner made a motion to approve the updated policies regarding MelCat items as recommended by the Suburban Library Advisory Council. The motion was supported by Lisica. Motion Carried.

#### G. Digital Resources Purchase for 2021-22

Member libraries received a survey to rank available digital resources (databases) from 1 to 10. Databases ranked #1 received 10 points, #2 - 9 points, #3 - 8 points, etc. The top three databases were Ancestry Library Edition, OverDrive Magazines and Tutor.com., the same as the current fiscal year. Lisica made a motion to approve the budget for and purchase of Ancestry Library Edition, OverDrive Magazines and Tutor.com for SLC member libraries for the 2021/22 Fiscal Year as recommended by the Suburban Library Cooperative Advisory Council. The motion was supported by Wagner. Motion Carried. The Board would also like to see a statistical report on the usage of these three databases.

# VIII. Information Items

### A. Director's Report

The Cooperative is working with libraries as the quarantining of items has been shortened. The Troy Library will reopen to the public June 7<sup>th</sup>. Beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>, SLC staff will no longer have to wear a mask, as long as they are fully vaccinated, and on June 7<sup>th</sup> all SLC staff will be working in the building. Tammy attended the MLA Virtual Advocacy Day, April 20<sup>th</sup> that went very well. MLA will be holding their annual conference virtually this year. Claire Lopiccolo from the Romeo District Library is this year's conference chairperson. The Cooperative's lease on the building expires this year and Tammy has been in negotiations with the landlord. She will bring an update/proposal at the June SLC Board meeting.

#### IX. Adjournment

Pasternak moved to adjourn at 7:13 p.m. supported by Hoeft. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted:

Wilma Wagner, Secretary