

**Minutes, Northland Library Cooperative
October 16, 2008, Cheboygan Area Public Library**

Attending: Grace Micketti, Karen Heide, Marcia Armstrong, Marcia Monette, Judy Olson, Barbara Steele

Absent: Phil Curtiss, Hugh Conklin

Staff: Roger Mendel

Guests: Marcia Botkin, Cindy Poquette, Val Meyerson, Sue Warner, Mark Bronson.

Grace Micketti convened the meeting at 10:00 a.m. and welcomed the new board members to the board, Judy Olsen, Oscoda County Library and Barbara Steele, Petoskey Public Library. She also welcomed Marcia Botkin from Oscoda County Library who will serve as an alternate for Judy Olsen when she cannot attend.

Public Comment: None

The presentation of the Jane Duvall award was made.

Election of Officers.

Moved by Marcia Monette and seconded by Marcia Armstrong to nominate Grace Micketti for the position of Chair. Motion carried.

Moved by Marcia Monette and seconded by Marcia Armstrong to nominate Karen Heide for the position of Vice Chair. Motion carried.

Moved by Grace Micketti and seconded by Karen Heide to nominate Hugh Conklin for the position of Secretary. Motion carried.

Moved by Marcia Monette and seconded by Karen Heide to nominate Marcia Armstrong for the position of Treasurer. Motion carried.

A unanimously ballot was cast for the officers nominated.

Approval of the Agenda: Moved by Marcia Armstrong, seconded by Marcia Monette to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

Minutes: Moved by Marcia Monette, seconded by Marcia Armstrong to approve the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Moved by Karen Heide, seconded by Marcia Armstrong to approve subject to audit the financial report presented by Roger Mendel. Motion carried.

Mileage rate for fiscal year 2008/09. Moved by Barbara Steele, seconded by Marcia Monette to authorize the mileage rate of \$.585 per mile for travel expenses during 2008/09. Motion carried.

Advisory Council Report: None

Appointment of Member at Large to the NLC Board. Moved by Marcia Armstrong, seconded by Marcia Monette to appoint Eunice Teel to serve as the Member-at-large on the NLC board with a term beginning, October 1, 2008 until September 30, 2011. Motion carried.

Moved by Marcia Armstrong, seconded by Marcia Monette to designate the Bank of Alpena as the depository for cooperative funds. Motion carried.

Moved by Marcia Monette, seconded by Karen Heide to have the four officers of the board, Christine Johnson, and Roger Mendel as signatories on the bank accounts. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the new rules and regulations developed to administer PA 89 state aid by the Library of Michigan. Members were encouraged to attend the public hearings and discuss the issues of concern which include a dissolution plan for the cooperative, the reduction of continuing education requirements, and non-resident services. The hearings are scheduled for November 14 in St. Ignace and November 24 in Lansing.

There was discussion of the future of Northland especially considering that the new rules will not allow for a part-time director. Members are interested in discussing this further with Nancy Robertson, our state librarian. This will be a discussion topic for several of the next Board and Advisory Council meetings as by September 30, 2009 something to take the place of the present arrangement should be in place.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at Noon.