

## March Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 10, 2026 | Fir Room | 10:00-11:30 AM

I. Call to Order – Gloria Pilotti Irey

II. Welcome/Introductions – Gloria Pilotti Irey

III. Conduct Roll Call; Confirm Quorum – Linda Morley - Confirmed

IV. Consent Items –

a. Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 10, 2026. Karen 1<sup>st</sup> Lynne 2<sup>nd</sup> Approved

V. Library Report – Kathryn Hunt (invited) Read Across Lincoln has begun again and will run into April. Launched the elementary school Beanstack challenge , “Your Next Chapter.” Kathryn and Sam attended family reading night at 1<sup>st</sup> Street school to familiarize their staff with the program. Battle of the Books will be on Saturday, March 14 in McBean Pavilion with 9 teams of teens participating this year.

LPL received \$10,000 gift award from Carnegie Foundation in NY. Funds have been received by the city and may be spent in any manner that benefits the community and library. LPL is requesting that FOLL function as fiscal agent to hold the funds until a project is identified. FOLL will be allowed to receive/retain accrued interest. MOU pending authorization by City Council – FOLL should receive check from the city by mid-April.

Significant author event: LPL would like to hold an author event at SCLH to bring more library awareness to the community and expand cardholders in SCLH. Might draw 150 attendees and LPL is considering author Lisa See for an event in summer 2026. A detailed written request was provided to all board members prior to the meeting. Could potentially use Carnegie \$10k for funding and consider asking Lincoln Hills Foundation for financial participation. Carol Dickey pointed out that more women than men read Lisa See novels reducing potential to reach all households. Linda D suggested FOLL contribute \$4k (40-year anniversary celebration link) while additional funds come from the Carnegie award. Neil pointed out this request constitutes about 10% of annual FOLL expenditures. Kathryn is also open to reaching out to other local nonprofits for financial contributions. Cassandra suggested combining this with our 40-year anniversary celebration.

VI. Officer/Director Reports:

A. President – Gloria Pilotti Irey Gloria, Neil, Bill will attend Leadership summit on Mar 19.

Created new 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary buttons for distribution. Gloria used library button machine, so cost was only about 25 cents each.

B. Vice President – Vacant

C. Secretary – Linda Morley- Took photos at RAL and TAB Leprechaun Trap activity.

D. Treasurer – Carol Dickey- Written Report provided:

**Balances:**

Exclusive of the Prepaid City Account and Restricted City account, we have \$210,179.57 in available cash.

**Income and Expenses:**

There is nothing out of the ordinary other than that we received a very nice donation of \$4,000 in February as well as a small grant of \$300. We also purchased equipment/furnishings for the Little Explorers' program - toys, balls, puzzles, etc. (approximately \$700).

We have two CD's coming up for renewal in March and we will make best efforts to secure the most advantageous rate available.

*Note: The Little Explorers Program is new pilot program for babies and toddlers.*

E. Book Sales Director – Sharon Gorley- \$2471.06 February sales. New volunteer Colleen Ewert.

F. Community Outreach Director – Linda Derosier- Lincoln Serves Committee Meeting. Latino Leadership is looking for board games. RAL is up and running. Gave a Saturday library tour for Lavender Friends of SCLH.

G. Grants Director – Neil Cochran- Received the annual \$300 grant from Consolidated Communications. Submitted the annual report to Lincoln Hills Foundation for 2025 activities. Will submit a \$500 grant request to Costco for Family Art Night. Will attend Lincoln Serves Committee meeting today.

H. Membership – Cassandra Hawley-Davis- Received 11 donations that were above \$100. 10 renewals and one new membership in February. Total 327 members

I. Newsletter Director – Karen Lindh- April Newsletter- the lead message will be about the annual report. RAL photos. Fairy tale day. National volunteer and library month. Seed Catalog. Teens – Cover to cover book club. BDOG and book sale. Regular features. Please pass along comments regarding the new potential newsletter formats that were emailed to board members. Streamlining the newsletter presentation is an ongoing process. After board members comment, Karen will send a survey to recipients for their input.

J. Social Media Director – Lynne Rossi- Website is working well. Preparing BDOG images. Lynne will be traveling in April.

K. Volunteer & Hospitality Director – Colleen Ewert- Absent - May be out for a while due to personal issue.

#### VII. Standing and Ad hoc Committee Reports:

A. Financial Review Committee – Sharon- Met with Bill Szabo and Mary Nader to review and approve 2025 financials. All was in good standing.

B. Big Day of Giving Committee – Linda D – Continue to meet with Lynn, Karen, and Colleen to design this year’s campaign.

C. 40th Anniversary Event Committee –Need someone to take the lead on this- Will review at the April meeting.

#### VIII. Unfinished Business:

A. Board Action: Approval of 2025 Annual Report – Gloria Motion to approve – Karen 1<sup>st</sup> , Linda M. 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion approved Gloria will make small format revisions to the one-page sheet.

#### IX. New Business:

A. Read Across Lincoln School Visits – Linda D. Included in OR report.

B. Board Discussion/Action: Memorandum of Understanding with City of Lincoln for Acceptance and Use of Carnegie Corporation Funds. Gloria - Motion: Linda D. 1<sup>st</sup> Lynne 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion passed.

C. Board Discussion/Action: Library request for funding for Lisa See author visit. Spirited discussion about potential benefits to LPL and FOLL, venue, attendees, and funding sources for this event. Motion Karen L, : Approve up to \$10K to fund the Lisa See author visit with recommendation that the library provides onsite library card issuance at this event and that FOLL has an outreach table. 2<sup>nd</sup> Cassandra. Motion passed. One Abstain.

X. General Announcements and Closing Comments Lynne will be gone from Mar13-Apr 4

XI. Adjournment 11:39am

Guests: Teresa Lai Stanislaw, Vicki White, Ashley Harris

Next Board Meeting Date – April 14, 2026 – Fir Room

