Holdrege Area Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting July 1, 2025

The regularly scheduled board meeting of the Holdrege Area Public Library was called to order at 4:06 in the community meeting room in compliance with the Nebraska Public/Open Meetings Act, posted on the north wall of the room. Present were board members Cassie Ehrenberg, Bill Yochum, Lori Larson, Julie Johnson, Annette Sindt, Maureen Epping, Sue Christensen, and Library Director Sierra Burrows. Prospective trustee Cindy Woollen was also in attendance. Absent were board members Rosanna Meyer and Anna Sertich.

Consent Agenda: The minutes from the June 3, 2025 meeting, the financial report, and the accounts payable report were reviewed. A motion made by Lori Larson to approve the consent agenda was seconded by Bill Yochum. The motion passed with affirmative votes from Cassie Ehrenberg, Bill Yochum, Lori Larson, Julie Johnson, Annette Sindt, Maureen Epping, and Sue Christensen.

Public Forum: There were no members of the public present.

New Business: Roles for the Library Planning Committee were discussed. Lori Larson will serve as chairperson, Bill Yochum will serve as co-chairperson, and Sue Christensen will serve as secretary. All library board trustees will be members of the planning committee, and additional members from the community will be added at a later time.

Updated information related to the Library Planning Committee was presented. Cassie Ehrenberg reported that City Administrator Chris Rector had no further information about the removal of the house from the property north of the library. Lori Larson reported on the Fundraising and Capital Campaign Support companies she has contacted following the Request for Proposals (RFP). She will schedule face-to-face meetings between representatives from some of the companies and the library planning board in the near future. Sierra Burrows reported that by August 30th the library will need to submit the library's proposal for this year's Give to Grow Campaign.

Old Business: The problem with the smell in the former office areas of the library has not yet been resolved, though not for lack of trying.

Director's Report: Sierra reported on the progress on the ongoing projects to repair the roof and to repair the outside spigot, on the problems with the library's technology and infrastructure issues, and with staffing updates.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:51 following a motion by Annette Sindt that was seconded by Julie Johnson.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Christensen, secretary