SUPERIORLAND LIBRARY COOPERATIVE
QUARTERLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Location: Peter White Public Library, 217 N. Front Street, Marquette MI 49855
Wednesday, September 9, 2026
10AM Central / 11AM Eastern

Call to Order:
Anne Donohue, Chair, SLC Board of Directors called the 9th of September 2026 regular board meeting of the SLC Board of Directors to order at 11:01 AM EDT.

Attendance: 6/8 Quorum present
<u>SLC Voting Board Members Present (representing/location):</u> Anne Donohue (Peter White/Marquette), Eyre Becker (Negaunee/Negaunee), Melissa Lupino (Bessemer/Bessemer), Daryl Orr (Superior District/Sault Ste. Marie), Lakin Ozzello (Wakefield/Wakefield) Stephanie Swenski (West Iron/Iron River)
<u>SLC Board Representatives Present:</u> Marion Luckey (Munising/Munising), (Larry Wuokko (Republic-Michigamme School/Public),
<u>SLC Board Representatives Attending Virtually:</u> Debra Friedman (Crawford County Library/Grayling), Sarah Hopper (Ontonagon/Ontonagon), Kim Nowack (St. Ignace/St. Ignace)
<u>SLC Voting Board Members Attending Virtually:</u> Katy Blackhall (Dickinson/Iron Mountain), Dwight Sunday (Forsyth/Gwinn).
<u>SLC Staff Present:</u> Tricia Wylie, Director and Pamela Malmsten, Assistant Director for Finance.
<u>Members of the Public Present:</u> Lisa Cromell (Munising/Munising), Andrea Ingmire (Peter White/Marquette), Syndy Peterson (Manistique School Public Library), Megan Rose (Dickinson County Library), Lisa Waskin (Superior District Library/Sault Ste. Marie)

Public Hearing for 2026/2027 Budget
No public comments.

Approval of the Agenda:
Anne Donohue, Chair, asked for approval of the agenda. Daryl Orr motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Eyre Becker, motion approved.

Approval of the Minutes:
Anne Donohue, Chair, called for the approval of the minutes of the meeting held July 6, 2026, for the rescheduled March 11, 2026, meeting. Motion by Lakin Ozzello, seconded by Stephanie Swenski, motion approved.
Anne Donohue, Chair, called for the approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held July 6, 2026. Motion by Daryl Orr, seconded by Lakin Ozzello, motion approved.

Director’s Report:
Tricia Wylie attended meetings with the Library Cooperatives of Michigan group, Advisory Board of Librarians, Library of Michigan, and the UPRLC Conference Planning Committee. Tricia is co-presenting a UPRLC Conference breakout session with Lisa Waskin based on Conversations Worth Having and Appreciative inquiry. Tricia served as a peer reviewer for FY27 LSTA grants.
SLC staff are working with newly hired library directors.
<u>Great Lakes Talking Books</u> – Art Mendoza-Ballesteros has arranged for the purchase of a Braille printer. She is attending the UPRLC Conference as a vendor to share GLTB resources with conference attendees.
Denise Owens, new Recording Director, is preparing to resume recording of audiobooks for people with visual impairments.

Tech Support – Gordon Tellefsen and Micah Milano regularly visit SLC libraries and assist them with technical support both on site and remotely. They are implementing a new phone system for the SLC office and member libraries who are part of the SLC phone plan.
ILS and Database Support - Ellen Moore continues to assist libraries with cataloging, statistical reports, and bibliographic record cleanup and is presenting one cataloging training session at the UPRLC Conference and participating in a conference breakout session with Jeremy Morelock and others about Library of Things.
Jeremy Morelock is working on ADA compliance on the mobile app, monitoring ILS server migration, and troubleshooting ILS issues for member libraries.

Financial Report: Pam Malmsten
FY 2025/2026 Cash disbursements, Year to Date Reports, and Balance Sheet:
Motion to approve June 2026, July 2026, and August 2026 cash disbursements made by Eyre Becker, seconded by Melissa Lupino, motion approved.
Motion to approve year-to-date reports as of August 31, 2026, made by Lakin Ozzello, seconded by Daryl Orr, motion approved.
Motion to approve balance sheet as of August 31, 2026, made by Stephanie Swenski and seconded by Melissa Lupino, motion approved.
Public Participation
Sarah Hopper, Ontonagon Public Library, expressed gratitude to Superiorland Library Cooperative for funding the RIDES fuel surcharges and to the SLC staff for their support with technical and other issues.
Lisa Cromell, Pamela Malmsten, et. al expressed appreciation and gratitude to Marion Luckey for her many years of board service.
Pamela Malmsten thanked Kim Nowack for her years of board service.
Anne Donohue welcomed Katy Blackhall to the SLC Board of Directors.
Committee Reports
A. Advisory Board of Librarians: Tina Markowski, ABL board chair, reported on the ABL meeting held on 9/3/26. Kanopy subsidies, Great Lakes Talking Books updates, and onboarding new directors were topics covered at the meeting.
B. Programming Committee: None
C. Personnel Committee: Anne Donohue, Lakin Ozzello, and Stephanie Swenski presented Tricia Wylie's annual performance evaluation including areas of success and opportunities for improvement.
D. Professional Development Committee: Andrea Ingmire provided an update on 2 in-person trainings – "Resilience in Difficult Situations." They will take place 10/13/26 from 10am to 3pm at Peter White Public library and 10/15/26 from 12pm to 3:30pm at St. Ignace Public Library. Registration is required. SLC will provide a 50% off coupon for all SLC members who attend.
Old Business
A. Absentee Board member
Dwight Sunday resigned from the board after many years of service to Superiorland Library Cooperative. Anne Donohue, Pam Malmsten, and others thanked Dwight for his time on the Board. He will be missed.
New Business
A. Approval of 2026/2027 Voting Board Membership:

Motion to approve recently elected Katy Blackhall and Stephanie Swenski to the 2026/2027 Voting Board made by Daryl Orr, seconded by Stephanie Swenski, motion approved.
B. Election of Board Officers: Chair – Anne Donohue, Vice Chair – Lakin Ozzello, Secretary – Daryl Orr.
Motion to approve officer elections made by Eyre Becker, seconded by Stephanie Swenski, motion approved.
C. Approval of FY2025/2026 Budget Revision: A FY 2025/2026 proposed budget revision was presented to the board. Pam Malmsten summarized the revisions.
Motion to approve of the FY 2025/2026 Budget Revision made by Lakin Ozzello, seconded by Daryl Orr, motion approved.
D. Approval of 2026/2027 Schedule of Services: Tricia summarized the Schedule of Services for FY 2026/2027.
Motion to approve of the 2026/2027 Schedule of Services made by Stephanie Swenski, seconded by Lakin Ozzello, motion approved.
E. FY 2026/2027 Budget Adoption: The FY 2026/2027 proposed budget was presented to the board by Pam Malmsten.
Motion to approve of the FY 2026/2027 Budget made by Eyre Becker, seconded by Melissa Lupino, motion approved.
F. Approval of EdTech Strategies E-Rate Services Contract for FY 2027:
Motion to approve of the EdTech Strategies E-Rate Services Contract for FY 2027 made by Darryl Orr, seconded by Eyre Becker, motion approved.
G. Adoption/Reaffirmation of E-Rate Policies & CIPA Compliance:
Motion to adopt/reaffirm the E-Rate Policies & CIPA Compliance document made by Lakin Ozzello, seconded by Melissa Lupino, motion approved.
H. Approval of Financial Institutions for FY 2026/2027: Pam Malmsten presented the list of financial institutions for FY2026/2027.
Motion to approve the financial institutions Michigan Class, Nicolet Bank, Upper Peninsula State Bank, Range Bank, Incredible Bank, and Flagstar Bank for FY 2026/2027 made by Melissa Lupino, seconded by Stehpanie Swenski, motion approved
I. Approval of Eunice Vandecaveye bequest funds usage: Pam Malmsten described a project to record previously unrecorded audiobooks for persons with vision impairments at the Peter White Public Library recording booth by Recording Director Denise Owens and volunteer readers.
Motion to approve usage of Eunice Vandecaveye bequest funds usage made by Eyre Becker, seconded by Lakin Ozzello, motion approved.

Public Participation:

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 12:44pm made by Daryl Orr, seconded by Lakin Ozzello, motion passed.
Next meeting: Wednesday, December 9 at 10:00AM Central Time/11:00AM Eastern Time.