The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by President Schimek. It was announced the Open Meetings Law of the State of Nebraska was posted.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The Meeting Notice/Agenda was posted according to the Open Meetings Law of the State of Nebraska. Friedman moved the agenda be approved as posted. Second by Berg. Roll Call Vote: Berg, Marvin, McKillip, Schimek, Speicher – aye; Florence, Friedman – absent. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None. (Friedman arrived at this time.)

APPROVAL JULY 15, 2014, MEETING MINUTES: Marvin moved to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2014, Library Board meeting as published. Second by Berg. Roll Call Vote: Friedman, Marvin, McKillip, Schimek, Speicher, Berg – aye; Florence – absent. Motion carried 6-0.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:
(Florence arrived at this time.)

Committee on Administration – Approval of 2014-2017 Strategic Plan – Julie Beno and Jodene Glaesemann reviewed the process used to develop the strategic plan including the development of surveys for and the public and moderating stakeholder meetings followed by analyzing the results. The needs of Lincoln and Lancaster County were investigated and demographic information gathered. During the initial development of the plan, the Lincoln Vital Signs report was released which contained much of the community information needed for the library’s strategic plan. The Public Policy Center assisted with the Vital Signs report by pulling together data from census information, Health, Police, etc. so it provided excellent data for the Library. The Library’s strategic plan was developed in concert with the Vital Signs report.

The strategic plan identifies four areas of need and related library goals:
  Goal 1 Success – The resources of Lincoln City Libraries will reflect the community’s value for education and support our community’s ongoing success.
  Goal 2 Access – Library services will engage people when they are available and where they work, shop, and participate.
  Goal 3 Achievement – Library services will promote literacy, learning, and success for young people.
  Goal 4 Opportunity – Library services will respond to the particular needs of people living in poverty.
During review of the plan McKillip suggested that community partners be listed and Berg suggested that in the objectives dealing with facilities wording be added to include upkeep and maintenance of facilities.

Friedman moved, with second by Marvin, to approve in general the Strategic Plan Needs, Goals, and Objectives including the revisions requested regarding listing partnerships and facilities maintenance.

Friedman stated that he would like to see the new Main Library mentioned in the first or second paragraph of the executive summary and in general be more prominent in the plan. Leach stated that she could work on revising the plan and bring it back to the Board.

Friedman withdrew his motion. Library staff will review and update the plan and bring it back to the Board at a later date.

**Committee on Buildings & Grounds** – No report.

**Committee on Finance** –
*Monthly Recap Report* - Marvin reported on the recap of expenditures for July 2014 listing claims in the amount of $613,169.39. Marvin moved approval of the report and payment of all claims. Second by Berg. Roll Call Vote: Friedman, Marvin, McKillip, Schimek, Speicher, Berg, Florence. Motion carried 7-0.

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Main Library** – Leach reported on a meeting she and Hector attended regarding Pershing Center being turned into a food hub. A lot of work needs to be done on what a food hub would do and what could be a potential site. Leach reported that she also visited the K Street Complex (old power plant) at the suggestion of another City Director. Although a handsome building, it is less appropriate for what the library needs when compared to the Pershing site. Leach reviewed the committee’s discussion on neutrality to rehabbing the Pershing Center to a library.

**Foundation Liaison & Executive Director Report** - No report.

**Lincoln Cares** – No report.

**One Book – One Lincoln** – Marvin reported that voting closed July 25. The winning title will be announced on Tuesday, September 2.

**Technology** – No report.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT:** President Schimek had no report. This being his last meeting as President of the Board, the Library Board and Library staff thanked Schimek for his stewardship over the past year.

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**
Centennial Mall Project – J.J. Yost of Lincoln Parks and Recreation and Manager of the Centennial Mall project provided an overview of the project. The project is being completed in
three phases. Phase 1, the middle three blocks, has been completed. Phase 2, the four blocks
closed to traffic, is underway and should be completed by next summer. Phase 3 includes the
final landscaping which Parks and Recreation staff will complete. The cost of the project is $8
million. The City of Lincoln committed $3 million in Keno and TIF to the project with the
remaining coming from the State of Nebraska, grants, and fundraising by the Parks Foundation.
The sale of Notable Tiles will fund an endowment for future upkeep of the mall. Additional
information about the project can be found at <www.necentennialmall.org>.

Leach introduced Kim Shelley, Bethany Branch Manager, noting that Kim would be glad to
provide a tour or answer any questions after the meeting. Leach announced that Herb
Friedman, incoming Board President, would be contacting Board members about committee
appointments. The appointments are to be announced at the September Board meeting. It was
noted that the Williams Branch Library reverted to its school schedule on August 12 when LPS
classes began. Work continues with LPS, City of Lincoln Information Services and Public
Works, and State Dept. of Education regarding the expansion of E-rate funding and the potential
for expanding the library’s wireless capabilities.

**ASSISTANT DIRECTOR’S REPORT:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m.