

A special meeting of the Lancaster County Library Board was held Wednesday, October 25, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Main Library. Members present were James Boling, Lynne Carroll, Deborah Cureton, Erick Crawford, Phyllis Jarvis, George Kirlin, and Thomas Monroe. Also present was Rita Vogel, director.

One member of the public attended.

Chairman Thomas Monroe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

No public comments were made.

The purpose of this special meeting was for representatives of the J. Marion Sims Foundation to inform the Library Board of the results from a survey it conducted of Board members and library staff of their vision for the future of the library system.

Both the journey and mission of the Foundation and the Library System are similar in that they focus on meeting the needs of the residents of Lancaster County.

Pam Temple from the Foundation shared a presentation entitled "How to Make Your Library Great" which emphasized the multiple roles a modern library should play today. Other suggestions to the Board to help it determine the Library System's future direction were to plan a retreat with an outside facilitator to enable the Board to have ample time to discuss and plan, to arrange a group site visit of a library serving a community similar to ours, and to continue with plans to survey county groups and individuals.

Board members also received copies of the results from the "A Shared Vision for the Future" survey of library staff and Board members conducted by Karen Ormand of the Foundation.

Chairman Monroe thanked the Foundation for its help and then adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Phyllis Jarvis, Board Secretary