Role and Responsibilities

The following responsibilities are specific to the Lorain Public Library System and are articulated for the purpose of complementing or clarifying certain aspects of the traditional governing responsibilities of board members.

1. **Commit to the mission, values and goals of the Lorain Public Library System.** Represent and advocate the interests of the entire library system service district.

2. **Attend meetings of the Board of Trustees:** Twelve regular monthly meetings are scheduled each year. The Library Board is an appointed governmental body, accountable to the citizens of the Library’s service district. As such, Board members are encouraged to attend all twelve meetings (they are scheduled more than one year in advance). Minimum attendance expected of each individual Board member is 75%.

3. **Serve on at least one committee and attend committee meetings:** Board members are encouraged to attend all meetings of the committees on which they serve.

4. **Contribute expertise and participate in strategic development of board and organization.**

5. **Attend Lorain Public Library System special events.**

6. **Support funding efforts:** Assist the Lorain Public Library System board and staff in its advocacy, development and fund raising efforts, and encourage and support the efforts of The Foundation of the Lorain Public Library System, Inc.

7. **Represent the Lorain Public Library System:** Be familiar with and speak in support of the Lorain Public Library System and allow his/her name to be used in support of the Lorain Public Library System’s mission.

7. **Abide by the Ohio Ethics Law and guidelines for public officials as they apply to public library trustees, including the disclosure of any potential conflict of interest with the Lorain Public Library System.**

I understand that as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Lorain Public Library System, I will be held accountable to the expectations above on an annual basis.

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Signature                                               Date