

**Literacy Council of Scioto County**  
**Minutes**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**April 24, 2007**

**Attendees:**

Kay Bouyack, Hilda Drake, Betsy Fannin, Tess Midkiff, Barb Nourse, Jennifer Schackart, Paige Williams, Treva Williams, Debra Knutson

The April 2007 meeting of the Board of Directors of the Literacy Council of Scioto County was held in the Scioto Foundation. The meeting was brought to order at 4:00 by President Hilda Drake.

**Old Business**

Drake introduced new LCSC Board Member Barb Nourse. Drake has also invited Patty Gilmore to join the Board, and Gilmore has indicated that she is willing to accept the position. In addition, Drake sent a letter of invitation to Lynn Counts who has indicated some interest in LCSC, but Drake has not heard back from Counts yet.

Treva Williams began an overview of the research she is doing for us and discussed the strategic plan. She created a handout from the flipcharts that were used at the March 15 Literacy Forum. The Board discussed ways to refine the working definitions of literacy, and T. Williams will take a few minutes of the May meeting to bring this definition together.

T. Williams also had several suggestions for LCSC, including:

- Maintaining a calendar of area literacy activities,
- Developing newsletters that could be distributed in a variety of ways, and
- Either establishing one Literacy Awareness Month for Scioto County (during which different literacy activities would be promoted on different days) or promoting a different literacy activity for each month of the year (in other words, January could be “Read to Your Child Month,” February could be “Poetry Month,” and so on).

**New Business**

The Board began reviewing the Coordinator applications that have been submitted to date. Of the nine applications, only two seem to be fully qualified for the position. The Board discussed ways to promote the position more widely. Nourse stated that she knows some potential candidates and will make sure they see the ad.

Running the ad in the *Portsmouth Times* was very expensive, but that ad did not elicit any applications. Bouyack speculated that a shorter ad placed in the Classifieds might be more likely to receive some response. Because the Board wants all potential applicants to be able to view the entire ad, Midkiff and Knutson agreed to set up a URL for LCSC

and post the ad to the new website. After the website is established, Bouyack will send the *Times* a shorter ad that refers applicants to that website. The Board decided to extend the deadline for applications until May 22.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00. The May meeting will be held at 4:00 on May 22 in the Scioto Foundation.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debra S. Knutson, LCSC Secretary