Library Foundation welcomes 
six new board members

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CINCINNATI — The Library Foundation of Cincinnati and Hamilton County welcomes six new board members to the organization. The Foundation board is a group of dedicated volunteers who share a love for the Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County and those it serves.

Jeanette Altenau is the director of community relations for TriHealth and serves on numerous boards, including the Cincinnati Arts Association, Interact for Health and the Marvin Lewis Community Fund. She has received numerous awards and recognitions, including the Dedication Award by the Northern Kentucky Branch of NAACP; the Cincinnatus Award; the Friars Award and was recognized as one of the “100 Minds-Thought Leaders in the Greater Cincinnati Region.”

Laura Mitchell is the superintendent of Cincinnati Public Schools and has extensive experience with fundraising, partnerships, facilities planning and grants. She was featured in the “Learners and Leaders” video series produced by the National Association for Elementary School Principals and served on the Governor’s Commission on Leadership Collaboration.

Diane Cunningham Redden is currently head of CBRN and uniform sales for the LION Group Inc. She’s served on numerous boards and committees including the Ohio Governor’s Council on Aging Advisory Board. She is also the honorary chairwoman of the Hamilton County Republican Party and is serving as a member of the Library Board of Trustees.

Kate Rippe is a Cincinnati native and the founder of Rippe Financial Group, specializing in planning for businesses and business owners. She has previously served as the committee chair of the DM2030 for Association for Corporate Growth and is currently serving on the Community Advisory Committee for UC Health.

Casey Ruschman is a products and services manager for Duke Energy. Ruschman was part of the Cincinnati Business Courier’s Forty Under 40 Class of 2018, a YWCA Rising Star 2017 and was named in the “Next Generation of Community Leaders” by Venue Magazines in 2017.

Noah Stern is a partner at the law firm of Dinsmore & Shohl LLP. He specializes in healthcare law and tax law, with additional expertise in corporate governance. Stern often consults nonprofits on matters ranging from unrelated business taxable income issues and excess benefits transactions to mergers and acquisitions. He has been named one of the “Best Lawyers in America for Tax Law” eight years in a row.

These six members were welcomed to the board at meetings Dec. 11 and Jan. 22. More information on the Library Foundation board can be found by visiting the board of directors’ page on the foundation website.

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