

VGPL Board, Regular Meeting Minutes September 23, 2024

Attendees: Martha, Dusty, Jody, Charles, Kris, Monica, Joe, Julia, and Leslie

Meeting Called to order: 5:30

Modification of agenda: Under committee reports, add Nominating Committee (Kris) and General Board (Board Training—Jody). Motion: Monica, Second: Kris

Approve minutes: Motion: Kris, Second: Martha

Public comment: None

Treasurer's Report: David W. not present. Board read a provided summary. There were no comments.

Library Report: Julia Kelso

- Halloween party is in partnership with PTA . PTA will provide the bounce house and the library will supply food. Julia has requested \$150 to purchase food. Motion to increase budget allowance for Julia: Leslie, second: Dusty.
- New computers and technology: Julia is using GO bonds for public-use computers and for carpet in the meeting room. Monica volunteers to recycle old technology.
- Strategic plan needs updating by June. Julia will send the current plan to the board for review.
- VoIP phone set up. We have a new company and have reduced our monthly bill.
- Other programs--after school reading, movie night, wags and words are going well.
- There is an Author talk this Saturday. Julia noted that VGPL is short on programs. Development Committee will explore additional speaker programs.

Committee Reports

Art exhibit:

Monica sent a proposal to revise the art exhibits. She will take her proposal to the Development Committee first for review and recommendation to the Board.

Bylaws: Martha, Joe, and Dusty

The new committee will present their review and recommendations in November.

Community Relations: Dusty

There was discussion on formalizing the relationship with Eldorado PTA. This will also move to the Development Committee but does involve Community Relations as well.

Dusty discussed that author Ann Hillerman would be happy to do another author's event at VGPL. Joe also knows a potential speaker, and another potential speaker wants to talk about the National Parks.

Julia explained to the Board that it would be desirable to create a fundraiser to replace the Ice Cream Social and its income, estimated at \$15,000. The Ice Cream Social is no longer viable due to changes to health requirements following COVID.

Trivia Night report. Joe will lead the next game. We will not hold games during November and December. Jody will lead the October game; Jim will lead January. Julia will order a new easel.

Development:

- Kris reported that the Sept. book sale brought in \$1675 after CC fees. 20% came from donations.
- Oktoberfest: All board members are asked to sell tickets. Kris is seeking volunteers. Jody will manage the food. Jody and Kris are obtaining gift cards from local businesses and individuals.
- Fall Book Sale: Development will update board by email.
- Silent Auction and Holiday Bake Sale: Not yet started. In Development Committee.

General Board: Jody.

He requests that we create training for all board members. He will reach out to Kathleen Shiverdecker for advice. We may create a packet to give new board members. See below, Code of Conduct.

IT: Jody

Nothing new on the website but there should be something to examine soon.

Nominating: Kris

Courtney Handy is still interested in the board.

OLD BUSINESS: Julia

The business donor display above the copier machine is no longer functional or attractive. This will go to Development.

New Business:

- Book nook, Charles—This will be taken to Development Committee.

Code of Conduct: Charles

The board reviewed a handout and made suggestions including proper email etiquette. We may need two different codes for library Staff / Volunteers and Board members. We will form a committee: Martha, Jody, and Charles. Board members are invited to send suggestions to the committee.

Dusty is researching any difference between Corporation and Nonprofit codes of conduct.

Monica will create a how-to manual of our procedures for library events.

Adjournment: 6:50

Next meeting is October 21.

Respectfully submitted: Monica Emerich, Board Secretary