

Monthly Meeting Monday, March 20, 2023

In Attendance: Julia Kelso, Jim Zebora, Joe Durlak, Kris Sefton, Nina Harrison, Charles Abernethy, Donna Mazzola, Lisa Carlson

Absent: Gemma Ball, Dusty Caruso, Nancy Ostiguy

1. Call to Order

Jim Zebora called to order at 5:27

2. Public Comment

No members of the public were present.

3. Additions/ Modifications to Meeting Agenda

Jody Price unable to attend, move their nomination to the board to the next meeting

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve by Lisa, seconded by Kris, motion unanimously approved

5. Library Director's Report

Julia reported on library statistics: overall check outs are improving. Julia addressed concerns about Business Sponsorship signage area- prefer not to move printing press or have it be too large; suggested above the photo copier might be a good spot. Donna suggested Business Sponsor acknowledgement include a line thanking our individual donors for support.

Senate Bill 192: We should be getting \$100,000 for FY 2024 (one year only). Might be a good time to put donations into sustaining fund. Should also get money from the Rural Libraries Fund but not sure yet how much we will get-could go toward hiring a second part-time employee. This is great news!

6. Treasurer's Report:

Donna reviewed the Profit & Loss Report; we received some Grants-in-Aid money for

February and approximately \$1500 from Op-Cit booksale. Also received approximately \$1100 from Annual Appeal. Percentage of budget spent is a little low for this time of year. All in all, we are doing fine. Will have more county and LEDA grant money coming in this FY.

7. Promotional Committee Reports:

Executive Committee did not meet. However, Diane our bookkeeper needs to step back, and we are going to need to pay a bookkeeper for at least a couple months. We have \$3000 left in budget for accounting services. Donna volunteered to do payroll for a couple months. Have identified bookkeeper at local churches, Maria Romero, who will meet with Diane to go over needs on Wednesday March 22nd. Ms. Romero only available for a couple of months. Would like to have at least \$5000 in accounting budget going forward. Nina has a lead on agency that offers non-profits bookkeeping services.

Finance Committee did not meet.

Development Committee met on March 9. Kris reported on Development Committee in Gemma's absence. Reviewed op-cit booksale: Sunday was slow, book selection was not as good, didn't have enough good tables due to "sidewalk sale" in mall. Agreed to do it again next year. Have our first Turquoise donor; have been going out in person with packets for potential donors. There will art receptions in April and May. Book Sale meeting did not happen today, will be rescheduled. Next Development Committee meeting is April 13.

Nominating Committee did not meet.

Community Relations Committee did not meet. Dusty read through our lease and determined there is nothing preventing us from serving alcohol at the library. Dusty will continue to further explore.

8. Old Business

By laws revision: Jim and Joe reviewed the proposed updates. Will wait to vote on at another meeting.

Update on Business Partnerships: covered in Development Committee report

9. New Business

Nina suggested Community Relations and Julia get on Richard Eads radio show to promote library.

Dusty ready to host trivia on April 24 at 7 PM. Trivia will happen on the fourth Monday of the month for the next 3 months. Have settled on charging a \$10 entry fee per person.

Nina Harrison has offered to step in as Treasurer. Jim nominated Nina for position of Treasurer effective April 1. Kris seconded. Unanimously approved.

BIG THANKS to Donna Mazzola for stepping in.

10. Announcements

Looking for new Secretary at the Annual Meeting.

Jim will be in Europe until June and Gemma will be conducting the next meeting.

11. Next meeting will be April 17, 2023 at 5:30.

12. Adjourn

Jim motioned to adjourn. Donna seconded, motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:59 PM