

Minutes of the Board of Directors
Wyomissing Public Library
Meeting Date: April 8, 2008

The Board of Directors of the Wyomissing Public Library met on Tuesday, April 8, 2008 in the Community Room of the library. President Lisa Gallen called the meeting to order at 4:05 P.M.

Members Present: Elaine Balkiewicz, Susan Denaro, Mary Rebecca Freymoyer, Lisa Gallen, Denise Greenwood, Judy Phelps, George Repko, John Schmoyer, Geoffrey Stoudt

At-Large Members: Lynn Driben, Bob Jakubek, Betsy Power

Honorary Members: none

Library Director: Christopher Ritter

Additional attendees: none

Approval of March Minutes: Geoffrey Stoudt seconded by Judy Phelps made a motion to approve the minutes. The Board approved the motion.

President's Report:

Lisa Gallen welcomed back Susan Denaro and reported that Diane Yoh had a recent injury.

Treasurer's Report:

John Schmoyer reported that the state report was completed this month and presented the current budget. The following items were discussed:

- Lynn Driben asked about the membership target and the historical receipt of dues. Lisa Gallen gave an update about various requests throughout the year related to membership and fundraising.
- In response to a question by G. Repko, Chris Ritter reported that state aid is always received in January and the borough funding is received in several payments.

Corresponding Secretary:

Susan Denaro reported that flowers were sent to Diane Yoh on behalf of the Board.

Library Director's Report:

- Circulation for March was 6680 and the people counter reported that 4000 people visited the library during this month.
- Colleen conducted 14 children's programs during the month with a total attendance of 257.
- Chris also reported the following:
 - 1) Diane Yoh is now recuperating at home
 - 2) The hot water heater will be installed by the end of April
 - 3) The server will be installed in April
 - 4) The surveyors were at the library last week in anticipation of new landscaping by the borough related to the drainage problem at the library.

Committee Reports:**Community Affairs:**

Denise Greenwood reported that the volunteer luncheon will be held April 24 and encouraged Board members to attend.

Membership:

Susan Denaro thanked all Board members who helped with the printing and mailing of the membership letter in March. Membership is slightly ahead of last year.

Building and Grounds:

George Repko has agreed to chair this committee. Chris Ritter reported that the Security First payment was made last month. Also, a valve had to be replaced in the heating system and this bill was paid last month.

Nominating:

No report

Unfinished/Old Business:

Lisa Gallen reported that the date for the first fundraising event for the year will be June 21 (Raindate: June 22) at Geri Kozloff's garden. In lieu of a hostess gift, attendees will be asked to make a donation to the library. Library Board members will be asked to help provide food for the party and to help with set-up and clean-up (a sign-up sheet will be circulated in May). The proceeds from the event will be used for the mural and/or other projects. Several suggestions were made by Board members:

- 1) Geoff Stoudt suggested that the Wyo. Foundation might help with funding for the mural
- 2) Lynn Driben will help by contacting businesses to match the Gates Foundation grant funds
- 3) Lisa Gallen reported that a letter will be sent to all borough businesses to ask for support for the library
- 4) Judy Phelps suggested putting a list of projects in the letter
- 5) Denise Greenwood suggested a fundraising event at the library targeted to businesses
- 6) George Repko suggested that large businesses that are located outside of the borough but whose principals live in the borough might be contacted for help
- 7) Geoff Stoudt suggested that businesses be asked to sponsor fundraising events.

New Business: none

George Repko seconded by Susan Denaro made a motion that the meeting adjourn.
The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Balkiewicz

Next Executive Meeting: Tuesday, May 6 at 5:00 P.M.
Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, May 13 at 4:00 P.M.