

Minutes of the Board of Directors
Wyomissing Public Library
Meeting Date: April 14, 2009

The Board of Directors of the Wyomissing Public Library met on Tuesday, April 14, 2009 in the Community Room of the Library. President Marlisa Mizerak called the meeting to order at 4:05 P.M.

Members Present: Lynn Driben, Mary Rebecca Freymoyer, Barbara Kline, Robert Jakubek, Marlisa Mizerak, Judy Phelps, Blythe Ratcliffe, Ann Sutherland, Diane Yoh, Heidi Ziemer

Honorary Members: None

Library Director: Colleen Stamm

Additional attendees: None

Approval of Minutes: motion by Marlisa Mizerak to approved the minutes; seconded by Diane Yoh. The Board approved the motion.

President's Report: Marlisa Mizerak

1. Marlisa introduced the newest At-Large Board Member, Heidi Ziemer. Heidi gave a brief summary of her background and experience.
2. The spring association fund drive has been pushed back. The letter is expected to be completed within the next week and sent to the printer by the end of the month. Judy Phelps suggested that we try to send it out at the end of January next year.
3. Marlisa gave an update on the library's participation in the Borough's health insurance plan. The Borough solicitor stated that the Wyomissing Public Library employees cannot be on the Borough' health insurance plan because they are not Borough employees and do not receive a W2 from the Borough. After a good deal of research, Marlisa and Colleen Stamm chose to use Power Kunkle Group, an insurance broker, to obtain quotes from various insurance companies. The executive committee chose to use Highmark Blue Shield as the library's health insurance carrier. Jonathan Moore and Corinne App will begin coverage in June 2009.

Treasurer's Report: Blythe Ratcliffe

1. Association dues are down because the Association letter was not sent out yet this year.
2. Meeting Room donations are higher than anticipated. Colleen suggested that this could be due to community groups paying in March for multiple meeting dates through out the year.

3. Blythe and Colleen finished the annual State Report and filed it April 1, 2009.

Corresponding Secretary: Marlisa Mizerak, Board President, reported for John Schmoyer

There was no correspondence to report.

Library Director's Report: Colleen Stamm

1. Circulation for the prior month was 7327 which was a 10% increase over the same month last year. There were 4046 people entering the library last month which was a 3% increase over the same month last year. During March 543 people used the adult and teen Internet computers.
2. There were 14 children's programs conducted during the month with a total attendance of 320 children and adults combined.
3. Corinne collaborated with the Wyomissing Institute to host a birthday party in honor of Vincent Van Gogh on March 28th. It was attended by 21 children and 17 adults.
4. Vera Correll, a library employee, was in the hospital last month. The library sent her a bouquet of flowers from Royer's.
5. Ebersole Electric replaced the broken timer on the outside floodlights in March. The cost for parts and labor was \$214.53.
6. The golden chain tree in front of the community room was up-rooted during a storm in March. The Borough arborist, Mark McLaughlin, removed the tree and disposed of it for no charge.
7. Gwen Hepler, a library patron, complained about last month's John Updike display. She thought the artwork on some of the books was inappropriate to display in the library.
8. To offset the 2009 children's programming costs, Corinne wants to hold a Reading Phillies fundraiser. The library would sell Reading Phillies ticket books containing 6 general admission tickets for \$27 (usually \$48). The library will receive \$10 for each ticket book sold. She would like to begin this sale in May.

Committee Reports:

1. Community Affairs:

Diane Yoh reported that the committee is working on the Volunteer Luncheon, which will take place April 23, 2009.

2. Community Contributions:

Marlisa Mizerak, reporting for Karen Schroder, announced that the committee met and began brainstorming. Mary Rebecca added that the committee thought about potentially hosting a wii tournament to raise funds for the library.

3. Building and Grounds:

No report this month.

4. Nominating:

No report this month.

Reports of Special Committees: None

Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business

New Business:

No new business.

Mary Rebecca Freymoyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Ann Sutherland.

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen E. Stamm

Next Executive Meeting: Tuesday, May 5, 2009 at 5:15 P.M.

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at 4:00 P.M.