

**Minutes of the Board of Directors
Wyomissing Public Library
Meeting Date: Tues, May 11, 2010**

The Board of Directors of the Wyomissing Public Library met on Tuesday, May 11/10 in the Community Room of the library. Susan Denaro called the meeting to order at 4:05pm.

Members present: Susan Denaro, Greg Ciatto, Lynn Driben, Mary Rebecca Freymoyer, Bob Jakubek, Barbara Kline, Maria Nawa, Steve Pottieger, Ann Sutherland, Laurie Waxler, Doug Weaver, Heidi Zeimer

Honorary members: None

Library Director: Colleen Stamm

Minutes from the April meeting were approved as circulated.

President's Report: Susan Denaro

Susan thanked board members who have stepped up to help with our recent fundraising efforts and in particular the volunteers who helped set up for the used book sale that started Thursday night, 5/6/10 including committee chairpersons Mary Rebecca Freymoyer and Heidi Zeimer who organized the event. All volunteers were commended for their hard work in moving the books into the Community Room from the 2nd floor, sorting books for display on tables, and working at the sale through its last day which was Saturday, 5/8/10. Susan also acknowledged Lynn Driben, Judy Phelps, and Colleen Stamm for their work in coordinating the Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon which was held Thurs, 4/22/10.

Treasurer's Report:

Susan Denaro reviewed the budget in the absence of Blythe Ratcliffe. The YTD budget through April 2010 reflects a loss for the month of (\$9113). The monthly PJ party and sale of Reading Phillies tickets generated \$565. On the expense side, Salaries, Benefits & Expenses is higher than past months because April had three pay periods whereas most months only have two.

Corresponding Secretary:

Susan Denaro reported in Judy Phelps' absence that a letter was received from Ron Hunsicker resigning from the Building and Grounds committee.

Library Director's Report:

1. Circulation: In April 2010, circulation was 7731 which was a 4% increase over the April 2009 (7401 items). One-click downloadable audio circulation for April 2010 was 57 accesses.
2. People: In April 2010, there were 4797 people who entered the library which is a 49% increase over April 2009 (3215 people).
3. Computer Users: In April 2010, 699 people used computers which is a 33% increase over April 2009 (525 people).
4. Children's Programming: In April 2010, there were 576 children, teens and adults who participated in 20 children's programs which is a 23% increase over April 2009 (15 programs and 470 participants).
5. The library received \$70 in donations from patrons for 50 general admission Reading Phillies tickets which were donated by RPL Foundation, Reading Lutheran Parish, Kozloff Stoudt Attorneys, Friends of the Reading Public Libraries, and Rep. Thomas R. Caltagirone. The baseball game was held April 7, 2010. Tickets were donated not only to WPL but also to other libraries as part of program called Celebrate Our Libraries.
6. The library participated in the Wyomissing Borough Earth Day Fair on Saturday, April 24, 2010. Over 100 children and adults visited the library's station at the event. Activities included storytime, temporary tattoos, tree bingo and coloring books. Tree saplings, donated by the Garden Club of Reading, were handed out.

7. A new part time library assistant will be hired to replace Vera Correll's position. The position will average five hours per week and the starting salary will be \$10.00 an hour.

Committee Reports:

1. Association Membership: Barbara Kline.

Thank you letters continue to be mailed in response to donations received from the association letter which mailed in February.

2. Building and Grounds: Greg Ciatto

Greg is waiting to hear back from Rainbow Roofing to remediate roof issues including general slate repair, snow guards and rubber flashing to gutter box. Rainbow Roofing installed the roof in 1991.

3. Community Affairs: Lynn Driben

Twenty-five people attended the Volunteer Appreciation Lunch on Thurs, 4/22 at 1pm including 10 board members, 7 employees, and 8 volunteers. The only direct cost incurred was the \$144 fee from Cloud 9 for food. A book plate with the volunteer's name imprinted was placed on the cover page of a book of their choice as a way to thank and recognize them. The library has 15 girls signed up to attend the Red Cross Babysitter Training Course at Sat, 6/5 from 9am-3:30pm in the library. Laurie Waxler will look into options to accommodate those who sign up beyond the 14 person maximum class size.

4. Fund Raising: Mary Rebecca Freymoyer and Hedi Zeimer

(a) The used book sale that was held Thurs night, 5/6 from through Sat, 5/8 yielded \$860.50. Some left over books went back upstairs to sell as part of our ongoing book sale and arrangements are being made to donate the rest. Approximate sales include \$245 on Thursday (including proceeds from the preview fee), \$400 on Friday, and \$200 on Saturday. (b) The jelly bean guess jar yielded \$41 in revenue. Paul Bartholomew won by guessing 368 jelly beans and the actual amount was 366. He won four tickets to the IMAX movie theater. (c) On Election Day, Tues, May 18, the library will host a sale of baked goods and pulled pork BBQ sandwiches. Maria Nawa is scheduling volunteers from 8am to 5pm for the bake sale and 11am to 1pm for the sandwich sale. Sandwiches will sell for \$4 and a sandwich platter which includes cole slaw will sell for \$5. Pre-orders for pulled pork sandwiches are encouraged. (d) A PJ party for children ages 4-12 will be held Friday, 5/14 from 6pm-9pm. It's a dog themed evening which includes making treats for the Humane Society, watch *Hotel for Dogs* and enjoy a visit from a special four legged guest. Nine children are signed up. A suggestion was made to limit attendance at these events to 25 or 30. Some children have been overwhelmed by the large number of attendees at past PJ parties.

5. Nominating: Ann Sutherland

Steve Pottieger was welcomed as new participant on the board.

Board Education:

No report.

Unfinished Business:

Colleen asked that any board members who did not sign a confidentiality agreement to please see her to do so.

New Business:

A clean-up of the library grounds is scheduled for Sat, 5/15 from 9am-3pm. A sign up sheet was passed around. Also, Susan Denaro distributed a monthly calendar through the end of December to help board members keep track of the library events.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:40pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Driben

Next Executive Meeting: Tues, June 1, 2010 at 4pm.

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at 4pm.