MIFFLIN COMMUNITY LIBRARY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
April 28, 2021

Alex McCarty, Board Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7:18 PM via zoom, call meeting to order and second by Cynthia Thomasset

Voting Trustees present: Carey Babczak; Allison Kalbach; Alex McCarty; Cynthia Thomasset

Voting Trustees absent: Megan Huesgen, Karen Cook; Colleen Stamm; Carolyn Gibson, LaTasha Thomas, Non-voting members present: None

Staff present: Natasha Donaldson
Friends of MCL Liaison present: Carolyn Royer

Carey Babcsak moved to approve the consent agenda items and Alex McCarty seconded the motion. The motion carried to unanimously approve the following items:

Consent Agenda
● Approval of minutes of March 24th meeting: There were no minutes to approve due to low attendance
● Friends of MCL report
● MCL Director’s report

Friend’s Report:
● Carolyn Royer reported that 5/22/21 there will be a plant sale fundraiser in front of Walgreens.
  There is the annual book sale this week, a chicken BBQ planned, and the last plant sale went well. In discussion also about where to have the next restaurant fundraiser. Lions club donated 4 tables to the friends who are having a jewelry sale this Saturday at GMIS to benefit the library.

Treasurer’s Report:
● The balance sheet and the profit and loss statements were reviewed. Carey Babczak reported that year over year to date the library’s cash position remains in a “fine financial state”
● The Audit has begun and will be completed to submit by 9/15/21

Director’s Report:
● Information about how 5 libraries in the Berks County System may go to a “Fine Free” program for a trial period, but our library will not participate.
● The library has opened the bathrooms and two seating areas for the first time since covid pandemic. Programming is going well, there is some discussion of making the quarantine of items less than 5 days, but has not happened yet.
● The library must develop another strategic plan and Natasha is working on creating a survey to be sent to as many community members as possible to gather information and input for next strategic plan. A Facilities Assessment must also occur as part of this new plan

New Business:
● Discussion of restaurant fundraiser, the new development committee will communicate with The Friends of the library to discuss what new restaurants to consider
● Due to not having enough voters for a quorum at this meeting, these minutes will be sent out and ratified to reflect a new vote with all board members.
● Carey Babcsak made a motion to approve 4 new policies that were developed, Alex McCarty 2nd, to approve Circulation, Collection, Exhibit, And Computer and Internet Use policies. All present in favor.
Ongoing Business:

● All approved the new committees. Each board member is encouraged to join one committee and also to bring outside people in to join as well. (1) Development and Marketing Committee (Cynthia, Alex and Allison), (2) Governance Committee (Megan, LaTasha and Karen), and a (3) Finance Committee (Carey). Carey’s term as Treasurer is up at the end of this year, we must start recruiting other financial people to assist her on finance committee and to have a smooth transition.

● Natasha shared the 4 logo designs and her staff and the board who were present all approved of design D. These will be shared with the rest of the board who were not present as well to vote on which they prefer, to reach a consensus.

● Discussion of holding story time outside, perhaps at the Shillington Park or the Lawn in front of the Borough Building

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm, with motion to adjourn made by Carey Babczak and seconded by Alex McCarty. All in favor.

The next meeting will be held virtually on May 26, 2021 at 7 PM. There are no board meetings in July or November, and one the first week of December.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cynthia Thomasset
Secretary