

Minutes of Board Meeting
Oakmont Library April 13, 2016

ATTENDANCE: Joanne Brownlee, Matt Kissane, Katie Lascola, Beth Mellor, Deborah Ormay, Len Richards, Laurie Sliben

GREETINGS/ PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS: Several members of the community were at this meeting. Comments were as follows: upset about reduced hours, would like to see more evening hours, appreciative of fundraising efforts, educate community to know that staff does more than “check out” books, and possibility of library being supported politically by a referendum.

CONSENT AGENDA: Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as amended. Staff reports of current and on-going events were approved. 110 were in attendance at the Fire Safety Program. The board appreciated Karen’s Mission Moment- a grandpa was able to connect a bit more to his autistic grandson due to her guidance. The staff will increase OCL social media exposure. The vendor fundraiser in June will be delayed until the fall in hopes to obtain more vendors. A free pre-school program will soon be held at OCL. There is an increase in the number of people who come into the library. The money for the automatic door will come from a grant. Any overage charges for these doors will come out of the Day of Giving earnings. Beth will meet with Sophia and Lisa on Tuesday. Two interns from the Pitt Library School will be interviewed to help with outreach programming. Beth’s Mission Moment was impactful- she helped a young man “clean up” an application to a recruitment officer for a training that he wanted to join. A few weeks later he came back to tell Beth that he was accepted and also promised to donate to the library when he “got some money set aside.”

CHAIR REPORT: Laurie and Deborah have spoken to and met with several members of the community in regards to what is needed and wanted from our library. Some comments are as follows: the library is viewed in a positive light, would like to have a better relationship with the RCAC, disappointment in reduced hours, looking for more after school “homework helper” programs, and positive feedback on the Verona Pop-Up Library. Deborah met with Dick Lechner to discuss his ability to aid OCL in fundraising. There is a board position opening. Deborah has contacted several past applicants to invite them to this meeting, two were in attendance. The board has agreed to purchase a commemorative plaque to honor Paul Pastierik. There is a library board trustee meeting on July 11.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Huckestein will do the maintenance for this year and BDA will do the repairs.

FINANCE REPORT: Len prepared a complete and comprehensive budget report. Repairs and Maintenance is still in the red. We are coming in behind in donations.

FUNDRAISING: 180 tickets have already been purchased for the Taste of Two Towns and a cooperate sponsor has been secured. Oakmont Country Club will pay half of the bill for the linens, bartenders and volunteers are lined up and several raffle baskets have been donated. The board is looking forward to another successful and fun Taste of Two Towns. Joanne and Rhoda are continuing to arrange an Antique Appraisal Fundraiser.

CLOSING REMARKS: The OCL board will review all applications for the open board position and will host interviews before the next meeting. At this meeting on June 8, a vote will be taken and a decision will be made as to who will be the newest board member.

ADJOURNED: Meeting was adjourned at 8:16.

Respectfully Submitted,
Katie Lascola - Secretary