

OCL Board Meeting October 2019

Katie Lascola called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.

Attendance: Katie Lascola, Deb Ormay, Laurie Sliben, Nancy Ride, Lindsay Osterhout, Matt Kissane, Beth Mellor

Excused Absence: Shane Michael

Approval of September 2019 minutes: Nancy moved to approve minutes as amended, Laurie seconded, minutes approved.

OCL received its third certification. Beth Mellor has been nominated as The Face of the Valley and will be interviewed.

Karen Crowell report:

- Jay Costa is coming to read a story about voting to kids from Tenth Street and Verner.
- Book Buddies will have a dress up for Halloween.

Stephanie Zimble:

- A TED Talk was going on this evening in the library.
- Summer reading participation was even larger this year than last.
- The Art Exhibit this month is photographs and artwork surrounding the homeless situation in Pittsburgh.

Director's Report:

- Incident Report for a patron who needed an ambulance/police called.
- Annual Fund is up to \$22,000. Each day donations continue to come in. This amount is before the matching funds have been added. OCL was able to include the recent grant received from Snee Rinehart.

ACLA Libraries & Community Responsiveness Community Profile:

- The Board went through ACLA Libraries & Community Responsiveness Community Profile results. Because OCL participated in the study, OCL will receive \$2,000. Next steps are to meet with the staff to go over the report to determine how to use the funds. Then meet again with the research team to advise how to direct the funds. One idea is to establish a food box program. This has to be decided by December 2019.
- One suggestion from the report was to foster communication between all community groups and the library to work together and pool volunteer opportunities and develop partnerships.

A suggestion was made for a day of forgiveness for fines by bringing in a food donation for the Rosedale Food Bank. OCL is also a pilot for auto renewal program to start on Nov 1st.

The Board discussed re-contacting the Verner Council about supporting library services in Verona. One possibility may be looking into a book vending machine as a pop up type of library.

Treasurer Report:

- Bike Event raised \$2,075
- Touch a Truck raised \$1,544.50. Given that Touch a Truck was in September, it is eligible for matching funds.
- The Board reviewed the proposed budget for 2020 and some members will be attending the Council work session next week concerning the library's budget.
- Beth, Laurie and Matt met with the Wells Fargo team. \$230,000, a first installment of the Frank Furko gift, was moved into the annuity. This dropped the library's rate to .75%. The library's funds have been moved into an account that pays 2% and any additional deposits will be placed in this account.
- Matt moved that due to an increase in the library's balance, the funds will be moved to a lower risk fund in a dollar costs average over the next 12 months to be invested. Nancy seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Matt moved to adjourn the meeting. Laurie seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Lindsay Osterhout