



## Waupaca Library Foundation

**Meeting Date:** March 13, 2023

**Place:** Library Upstairs Meeting Room

**Time:** 6:00 PM

### ROLL CALL

Present: Jeanne Bootz, Nick Burington, Julie Eiden, Sue Heideman, Kathy Hurt, Becky Liegl, Vance Linden, Melanie Peterson

Absent: Tracy Behrendt, Linda Hagen, Sarah Hanneman, Alan Kjelland, Anne Justmann, Wilson Roane

Also Present: Eric Bailey (Library Director)

**Meeting called to order at 6:00pm** by Vance Linden, President

### I. Approve the meeting agenda

Motion by Sue Heideman Seconded by Kathy Hurt

Approve the meeting agenda.

Ayes – 8, Nays – 0, Absent - 6      *Motion Carried*

### II. Approve minutes of January 2023 Foundation meeting

Motion by Melanie Peterson Seconded by Becky Liegl

To accept the minutes of the January 2023 meeting

Ayes – 8, Nays – 0, Absent - 6      *Motion Carried*

### III. Exhibit Room Report by Eric Bailey, Library Director

1. The new rail system is scheduled to be installed by the city prior to the next program. Furniture has also been ordered.
2. Youth Art Month is on display until the end of March, the Arts Hub programming in partnership with the Exhibit room has been a hit.
3. Liz Kneer has started including bilingual signage to welcome the influx of Spanish speakers and will continue this with future exhibits.
4. The next exhibit will be the Rotary exhibit from April - June with a reception on April 19.
5. Current costs are on target for the upgrades to the exhibit room.

Tracy Behrendt. arrived at 6:04

### V. Treasurer's Report by Nick Burington, Treasurer

With a total account balance of \$202,507.51

The Community Foundation realized a gain.

Motion by Becky Liegl Seconded by Tracy Behrendt  
To accept the treasurer's report.  
Ayes – 9, Nays – 0, Absent - 5      Motion Carried

**VI. Library Report** by Eric Bailey, Library Director

1. 'Night at the Museum' was a success with 65 4th grade students presenting about their historical figure around the library - this was a joint project with the School District of Waupaca.
2. Jack Rhodes day was well attended.
3. The film series programming was re-launched this year with introductions by Steven Imm.
4. Joni Radlley resigned. The library has a part-time position open.
5. No requests at this time.
6. The library is looking into having a book bike in the future to raise awareness of library programs and services.

**VII. Old Business -**

A general discussion about the sub committee work that was done with the Vergauwen donation and the big question of how to bring more patrons into the library. Eric Bailey stated that he would reconvene the committee to work on how to increase patron visits. Currently we are not back to pre-pandemic levels, but we are increasing our visits month by month. Advertising, events, banners, and signage was discussed.

**VIII. New Business**

**IX. Adjournment**

Motion by Becky Liegl    Seconded by Kathy Hurt  
To adjourn  
Ayes – 9, Nays – 0, Absent - 5      *Motion Carried*  
**Adjourned at 6:35pm**