

Waupaca Library Foundation

Meeting Date: Sept 11, 2023

Place: Library Upstairs Meeting Room

Time: 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Nick Burington(Treasurer), Julie Eiden(Secretary), Sarah Hanneman, Kathy Hurt, Anne Justmann,

Alan Kjelland (Vice President),, Vance Linden (President)

Absent: Tracy Behrendt, Jeanne Bootz, Sue Heideman, Becky Liegl, Melanie Peterson

Also Present: Eric Bailey (Library Director)

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm by Vance Linden, President

I. Approve the meeting agenda

Motion by Alan Kjelland Seconded by Kathy Hurt Approve the meeting agenda.

Ayes – 7, Nayes – 0, Absent - 5 *Motion Carried*

II. Approve minutes of July 2023 Foundation meeting

Motion by Anne Justmann Seconded by Kathy Hurt To accept the minutes of the July 2023 meeting Ayes – 7, Nayes – 0, Absent - 5 *Motion Carried*

III. Exhibit Room Report by Liz Kneer

- 1. Hidden Prairie exhibit was returned to Nebraska and they liked the feedback we were able to supply to them. This exhibit had almost 4300 visitors and eight accompanying programs.
- 2. Drake Hokanson photography exhibit is installed with over 1200 visits in August. It will be here until around Oct. 21st with a Winchester Academy program on Oct. 16.
- Waupaca History 101 is the next exhibit looking at indigenous through current day inhabitant of the Waupaca area. An indigenous author is planned and the old newspapers should be digitized enough to showcase them.
- 4. Remodel is on task with the cabinetry still to be completed.
- 5. 30 years on the square celebration took place last week with cake. General discussion on the remodel project celebration; this discussion to be continued.

IV. Treasurer's Report by Nick Burington, Treasurer

Report provided. General discussion on investments and accounts. Current balance as of 8/31/23 = \$193,356.65

Motion by Alan Kjelland Seconded by Sarah Hanneman To accept the treasurer's report.

Ayes – 7, Nayes – 0, Absent - 5

Motion Carried

V. Library Report by Eric Bailey, Library Director

- 1. Library had a busy summer, August checkouts and visit numbers were up.
- 2. 30 years on the square celebration was last week with cake.
- 3. The Little Free Pantry gave out over 2000 items. The library is finding that organizations are using the library as a meeting place and pantry items are available to those with hunger issues.
- 4. Foundation fundraising mailer is being put together for this fall.

VI. Old Business

- 1. Publicity campaign is still being looked at, but the library is currently working on a long range plan and this plan and our publicity need to go together. Additional information coming in the future.
- 2. The Nina reader statue is moved and looks great in her new home.
- 3. Foundation membership new members are needed look at folks that have donated in the past, also this information will be included in the mailer.

VII. New Business

Library requested \$850 to supply Spanish language materials as a beginning to meet community needs. General discussion on materials and the community population as well as how to publicize these new materials.

Motion by Vance Linden Seconded by Alan Kjelland To expend \$1200 for adult Spanish materials.

Ayes – 7, Nayes – 0, Absent - 5 *Motion Carried*

Anne Justmann left the meeting.

IX. Adjournment

Motion by Alan Kjelland Seconded by Kathy Hurt To adjourn Ayes – 6, Nayes – 0, Absent - 6 *Motion Carried* **Adjourned at 6:47pm**