

G.C. Community Library

Board Minutes

March 10, 2021

- (1) Board Members attending: Erin Pisano, Vince DiStasi, Stacy Bluedorn, Heather Leskanic, Kelly Habarka, Dave Kershaw, Renee Coyne, Sue Miklos
Director attending: Amy Gallagher
Employee Attending: Heather Baker
- (2) Erin called the meeting to order via Zoom online conference at 6:35 p.m. and opened with prayer.
- (3) Minutes from February were approved following motion by Dave and second from Stacy.
- (4) Treasurer's Report: Stacy went over situation with Quickbooks now that they made the move from online back to desktop. There's still a lot of issues to resolve, including payroll. Stacy said the migration hasn't carried numbers over. Erin said we may need to have a professional, non-Quickbooks individual help because using the system should not be this problematic.
- (5) Library Director's Report (from Amy):
 - Decision was made to move used book donations from current storage unit to a unit behind the Masonic Lodge, following unexpected change in pricing by McCracken family business. Erin said the FOL had been in agreement with McCracken that they could use the shed to store materials at a cost of \$100 per year. A letter was sent recently to Heather Baker but not the FOL that stated the library would be required to now pay \$720 a year for storage. It was determined we can save some money by moving the materials to the Masonic Lodge unit, which will charge \$648 for 13 months. And, the lodge has maintained a very supportive and cooperative relationship with GCCL staff over the years. Move is expected to take place within the next month or so and will involve around 300 boxes. Heather B. said Thomas Construction has offered to provide a flatbed truck to help

with the move; this will be a donation of time and equipment. The cost of the storage unit will be covered by proceeds from the book sale.

- New server has been delivered. Staff will be transferring data to new server, which will also be relocated from Amy's office to a small closet at back of building. Some interruption to computer system is anticipated in relation to transfer. Borough maintenance workers have put outlets in closet for the server and have provided assistance in relocating two children's computers.
- Patrons have been expressing their gratitude to staff with cards and treats. "It's quite a blessing how much we are appreciated," Amy said.

Children's programming (from Heather B.)

- Lunch with Easter Bunny and egg hunt scheduled for Friday, April 2, at Memorial Park with GC Medical Center, McDonald's, County Market and Blackout Burger all making donations. Two golden eggs with grand prizes; 800+ eggs to be scattered.
- American Girl Tea Party scheduled for May 22 at Masonic Lodge. Paris theme.
- Winter Reading program had 63 kids signed up. A total of 45 kids completed their logs and collected prizes.
- Multiple craft kits being prepared, including fairy/dragon gardens in a jar and herb gardens.
- Continuing to provide storytime to toddlers, and cooking club for those in grades 1st thru 8th (*virtual format*).
- Family restroom has undergone a major transformation with furniture, fun Disney theme and free baby supplies for families.
- GC Looks for Books expected to return this spring. Free books will be hidden at the park for children to discover and enjoy.

(6) Friends of the Library Report: Renee said the group has started planning for upcoming putt-putt fundraiser, scheduled for June 5. Lot of logistics to work out, including pricing, getting sponsorships lined up and pandemic

restrictions/guidelines to follow. May have cookout. Ace Hardware roundup fundraiser event to benefit library will be all thru month of April.

(7) Unfinished Business: Board member George Pokrant had previously made motion to purchase shelving units now and secure a corporate sponsor to cover the cost later as well as adding the cost of the shelving to the budget. Vince seconded motion. Motion carried. Erin said the library has already received \$450 in contributions toward the project. 😊 Amy said they will need to have most of the shelving in place before we can reopen to the public, hopefully in early April. Also, hoping to be able to vote in April on proposed bylaw updates/revisions.

(8) New Business: Details were provided concerning a vehicle accident at the front of the library that involves direct contact with building structure. The accident happened in the same area as the one that occurred in July 2018. This latest incident is not as bad as the last, which went out for bid and took some 11 months to fix. Amy has met with the borough manager regarding the matter. The cost of repairs will need to be \$12,600 or less for it to be completed without needing to be bid out.

(9) Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Next meeting is April 14 at the library.

Minutes submitted by Heather Lesknic, board secretary, on April 5, 2021.