

G.C. Community Library

Board Minutes

May 12, 2021

(1) Board Members attending: Erin Pisano, Stacy Bluedorn, Heather Leskanic, Liz Kingsley, George Pokrant, Dave Kershaw, Sue Miklos

Director: Amy Gallagher, not able to attend

Employee Attending: none present

(2) Erin called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. and opened with prayer.

(3) Minutes from the April meeting were approved following a motion by George and second from Stacy. Motion carried.

(4) Treasurer's Report: Stacy presented printout of profit & loss activity for January thru April. Total income listed at \$89,130.62 with expenses at \$84,779.64. Liz made motion to approve with second from George. Motion carried.

(5) Library Director's Report (*from Erin*):

- Erin explained Amy is on vacation this week and children's librarian Heather Baker had been absent due to illness.
- Set to get new phone system installed at library in July. We will have Armstrong for Internet only.
- Starting June 12, Grove City library will be open mornings 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. We've been unable to offer services on Saturdays due to pandemic over the past year.
- Audit activity is starting up.
- Springfield Twp to be paid member of GCCL.
- Handouts provided to trustees featuring literature on SNOE Advocacy Challenge to boost state aid to libraries in PA. Also, Pennsylvania Library Association highlighted "the good, the bad and the possible." It says public libraries have turned inside out to provide services and materials over the past year in spite of pandemic's impact. But public libraries have deteriorating financial resources to address difficult issues. Financial support must be restored in order to improve recovery efforts and community services. The

PaL is requesting that the state budget – instead of being level-funded – include increases of \$5 million for the Public Library Subsidy; increase by \$128,000 for library services for visually impaired and disabled; and that library access increase by \$153,000.

(6) Friends of the Library Report: Sue said the group received close to \$400 thru its Ace Hardware roundup fundraiser in April. Customers could choose to “round up” their bill with proceeds benefiting the library. Continuing to prepare for and promote the upcoming Putt Putt Palooza fundraiser on June 5 at Willow Hills. Raffle baskets currently on display at library’s front entrance. Tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for six.

(7) Unfinished Business: No new developments regarding front building damage repairs.

(8) New Business: Board voted to approve updates to bylaws. Changes being made to better reflect current practices of library. George made motion to OK with second from Dave. Motion carried.

(9) Meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Next meeting June 9 (tentative)

Minutes submitted by Heather Leskanić, board secretary, on June 1, 2021.