

G.C. Community Library

Board Minutes

December 13, 2023

- (1) Board Members attending: Erin Pisano, Stacy Bluedorn, Heather Leskanic, Dave Kershaw, Carla Ligo

Employee Attending: Heather Baker

- (2) Erin called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.
- (3) Minutes from the November regular meeting were approved following a motion from Stacy and second from Carla. Motion carried.
- (4) Treasurer's Report: Stacy presented a statement of activity covering January thru October. It shows total expenditures at \$190,053.44 and operating expenses at \$34,340.44. Total revenue listed at \$193,764.33, and net revenue, \$4,110.89. Total government income, \$25,285; Total grants and local, \$72,418.11; and total contributions, \$132,665.31. Income from fundraisers totaled \$17,157.19 during this period.
- (5) Library Update (from Erin):
- Hope to have a draft budget to review next month. She will review budgets from past 4 to 5 years in order to make budget estimates.
 - No large bills expected in December.
 - High school student workers Ethan and Noah are taking time off from the library. A new employee will be getting trained.

Children's programming/fundraising (from Heather B.):

- The brunch with Santa event that was organized by GCHS student volunteers went very well and raised about \$250 for the library. A spring fundraiser may be organized in a similar fashion (event held at Hillview; proceeds to benefit GC library).
- Library has raised more than \$80,000 with fundraisers and financial contributions since April. Ticket sales toward the raffle baskets have brought in (so far) \$3,261. Last year's tally was \$3,258.

- Heather says former storytime attendees, the Peterson triplets, have published a young adult book, *Awake*, and plan to make an author visit to the library in February. A separate author visit is planned with a retired Greenville teacher who has published a children's book based on the local Keystone Safari animal park.
- Winter reading program to begin.
- Library will host its annual Noon Years' Eve party on Saturday, Dec. 30.
- A special Valentine's Day cookie decorating workshop is being planned for the end of January.

(6) Friends of the Library Report: Not available

(7) New Business: Plans for 2024 include targeting library's participating twps in an effort to increase the amount of funding they provide the library each year. This will involve providing twp supervisors with documentation to drive home the value of the library.

(8) Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Heather Leskani, board secretary, on Jan. 1, 2024.