

## G.C. Community Library

### Board Minutes

Sept. 6, 2023

- (1) Board Members attending: Erin Pisano, Stacy Bluedorn, Heather Leskanic, George Pokrant, Carla Ligo, Sue Miklos

Employee Attending: Heather Baker

- (2) Erin called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. and opened with prayer.
- (3) Minutes from the June meeting were approved following a motion from George and second from Stacy. Motion carried.
- (4) Treasurer's Report: Stacy provided copies of financial activity to the members and updated the library's financial progress. It was noted we have received \$70,432 in emergency donations since April. It was recommended we close a minor savings account at Farmers. George made motion and Heather L. seconded. Motion carried. Erin said she has been diligent with paying bills and has not encountered any issues with Quickbooks accounting. Everything is going into the correct accounts. Heather Baker said she has been making cash deposits at the bank once a week. And they are continuing to use store credit at the Dollar Tree for office supplies in effort to keep expenses as low as possible. Heather L. made motion to approve the treasurer's report; George seconded. Motion carried.

### **Children's Dept./Fundraising (from Heather B.):**

- The summer reading program featured 67 sessions of programming. The French and Spanish language sessions went over very well. We will offer Italian and German next.
- There were 110 in attendance at pool party finale, where Taco Bell provided free refreshments.
- Preparations underway for used book sale on Sept. 9 and bake sale on Sept. 16. George Junior students will be helping to transport boxes of

- books from the storage shed to the park shelter. GCMS girls soccer team will also help with setup. FOL donated \$1,000 toward purchase of canvas bags for the book sale. We will again debut the gift baskets at the book sale with tickets on sale thru mid-December. A special offer involves 20 pounds of ground beef, donated by Rocky Top Acres Farm.
- Heather updated board on results of the shed, which brought \$1,755 in tickets sales, and the afghan and quilt, which brought in combined \$272.
  - The concerts at Big Rail provided \$3,500 in proceeds for the library, plus \$811 in tips.
- (5) Friends of the Library Report: Sue said she has made several attempts to contact management at ACE Hardware regarding roundup fundraiser held there in May. There is a new store owner, and she hasn't heard back yet. Another Primanti's fundraiser might be in the works.
- (6) Unfinished Business: Informal discussion was held related to other possible future fundraising events, including casino night, art auction, formal gala.
- (7) New Business: Erin announced that she received word from the district consultant that we need to apply for waivers concerning our hours of operation and collection expenditures. The board had previously had the understanding that former director Amy Gallagher handled the necessary work to ensure the waivers were in place. In addition, library officials are making an effort to try and reduce costs related to the carpet mats at the front entrance. Cintas currently cleans and changes out the rugs on a regular basis. We've purchased some rugs of our own in order to reduce the service need.
- (8) Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

**Next meeting is October 11.**

Minutes submitted by Heather Leskanic, board secretary, on Sept. 25, 2023.

