Dr. Sandor and Berthe Benedek Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting #7, August 20, 2024

Members present: Pres. Bill Fiske, Susan Goodrich, Mary Finch, Roxanna Miller, and Director Candy Wilson

Tim Allard in at 10:00am; out at 10.30 am

No public in attendance.

Pres. Fiske opened the meeting at 9:42 am. The proposed agenda was read and discussed. Bill moved to approve; Susan seconded. Agenda approved. The minutes of July 22, 2024 were read and corrected. Susan moved to approve the minutes as corrected; Bill seconded. Motion accepted.

**Treasurer’s Report**

1. Balance sheets

—as of July 31:

Total 286,313.60

—as of August14: Total 285,085.23

The Turtle Beach check was entered in August; the Foster Fund grant/ donation was entered in July.

1. Operating Budget Review

Bill moved to accept both the balance sheets and Operating Budget reports. Mary seconded the motion. Accepted.

**Old Business**

Friends group.

1. Fundraisers

—annual Book and Bake sale in October (we will be getting a new banner to advertise)

—FLX Gives will will occur November 14th and 15th, from 6:00pm to 6:00pm

1. Community Events

—the concert in July had a smaller attendance than previous years (during the extreme heat level on that date)

—Halloween celebration will be on October 26, a Saturday, enabling better attendance.

The Fire Department party, Trunk or Treat, and a family pizza party at the Federated Church Will occur then

Update on MHJMH

Candy filled the grant application form, using the total of 3000sq. ft. which includes the second floor which is part of the area being used for the local history section. This form needs to be turned in by Friday, August 23. STLS okayed our applying for a grant. She used August 26, 2024 for the date to sign paperwork to allow construction work to begin ( which will happen after after October 1.) $12,652 is the exact total for the project. The Board agreed with all Candy’s calculations. Pres. Bill Fiske had to sign to verify approval of the application and the materials.

Estimates for painting on the outside, a task that needs to begin soon to be finished before cold weather:

J+T Construction estimate of $10,000

Quality Painting estimate of $8,500. They did our earlier painting and did well.

There is a possible additional Bath source reported to us by Mike Horton.

Bill moved that we provisionally accept the Southern Tier Quality Painting estimate, subject to or unless the source from Bath is much cheaper and comes in before August 30. Mary seconded the motion. Accepted.

2924 Summer Reading Plus

Over 90 adults and kids signed up for the program. Candy still must complete the forms for this reporting.

Starting in September, the bi-monthly Coffee Hour will change to Saturdays, every week, from 9:30 to 10:30 and will be open to all ages. Candy will have ho chocolate available for any kids who attend.

Director’s Contract

We value Candy’s abilities and work ethic in running this library. We are renewing her contract with a percentage increase per hour. This will be effective with the next pay period.

There was no further business needing any action.

Respectfully submitted,

Roxanna E. Miller, secretary

The next meeting date: Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 12:00pm.