Minutes of the Board of Directors Wyomissing Public Library Meeting Date: February 10, 2009

The Board of Directors of the Wyomissing Public Library met on Tuesday, February 10, 2009 in the Community Room of the library. President Marlisa Mizerak called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

Members Present: Greg Ciatto, Susan Denaro, Lynn Driben, Mary Rebecca Freymoyer, Denise Greenwood, Robert Jakubek, Barbara Kline, Jeri Kozloff, Marlisa Mizerak, Judy Phelps, Blythe Ratcliffe, Karen Schroder, Ann Sutherland, Diane Yoh

Honorary Members: None

Library Director: Colleen Stamm

Additional Attendees: None

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Judy Phelps to approve the minutes; seconded by Diane Yoh. The Board approved the motion.

President's Report: Marlisa Mizerak

1. Full-time employees have previously been able to obtain their health insurance through the Borough's plan and the Library has paid the expense. She will be meeting with the Borough to discuss this arrangement in light of our new children's librarian.

Treasurer's Report: Blythe Ratcliffe

- 1. We had a small surplus for January because there were no maintenance expenses or children's librarian for the month.
- 2. We received the check for the state aid for the year.
- 3. The Book Fund and the meeting room donations are bringing in some limited revenue.

Corresponding Secretary: Marlisa Mizerak, Board President, reported for John Schmoyer

There was no correspondence to report.

Library Director's Report: Colleen Stamm

1. Circulation for January was 6790 which was a 13% increase over the same month last year. There were 3206 people entering the library in January.

- 2. There were 13 children's programs conducted during the month with a total attendance of 136 children and 113 adults.
- 3. Corinne App began her employment as the Children's Librarian on February 2, 2009.
- 4. Downloadable audio capacity is going to be coming to our Library next month. This will enable patrons to download audio books both at home and the Library.

Judy Phelps briefly explained the 2001 study of the County Library System which led the Library Board at that time to conclude that the Wyomissing Public Library was very fortunate to have the Borough's support and the support of our membership. This explained for the new comers to the Board why we never elected to join the County Library System.

Committee Reports:

1. Community Affairs:

Diane Yoh and Denise Greenwood announced that the volunteer luncheon will be held on April 23, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. this year. They are working to make our volunteers feel special and appreciated at the event and hope all the Board members will attend.

2. Membership:

A motion from the Executive Board was presented by Susan Denaro and seconded by Lynn Driben.

A lengthy discussion on the motion was held about the need to turn the ad hoc fundraising committee into a standing committee and the logic of combining it with the Membership Committee to form a new committee to be known as the Community Contributions Committee.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. Building and Grounds:

No report this month.

4. Nominating:

Judy Phelps presented a motion for Lynn Driben to fill the Board position know as #7, replacing Philip Wolfe who has resigned. No second was required and the motion passed unanimously.

5. Fundraising:

Karen Schroder reported that the new Community Contributions Committee is getting organized and welcomes all fundraising ideas.

Unfinished/Old Business:

No unfinished or old business.

Board Education:

Denise Greenwood and Diane Yoh discussed the vital role of volunteers at the Library.

New Business:

No new business.

Judy Phelps made a motion to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Denise Greenwood.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Susan N. Denaro

Next Executive Meeting: Tuesday, March 3, 2009 at 5:15 P.M. Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 4:00 P.M.