Wyomissing Public Library Board Meeting Monday, June 14, 2021

The meeting was called to Order at 7:05 p.m. by Marge Vath

Board Members Present: Mary Zervanos Dialectos, Ann Dybalski, Jeff Herb, David Hershey, Diane Hollinger, Vicki Jenckes, Jody Menon (Borough Representative), Mark Ratcliffe, David Walker, Michelle Van Buren, Marge Vath

Library Director: Colleen Stamm

The minutes from the May 2021 Board meeting were presented, but they could not be approved because there wasn't a quorum of voting Board members at the meeting.

President's Report: Marge Vath

- 1. Marge updated the Board on the status of the library's roof, which had leaked several years ago. She reported that roof was fixed by the Borough of Wyomissing in 2019. But the roof leaks damaged the inside of the building. It was brought to Marge's attention last month that the damage in the Children's Room section of the building not only looks unsightly, but there is also some concern about safety of the younger patrons who use that section of the library. Marge sent a letter to the Wyomissing Borough Council expressing the library Board's concern about this matter. Jody Menon reported that this matter was discussed at Borough Council, and Colleen Stamm should contact her if the Borough's painter does not come soon.
- 2. Marge reported that the Borough of Wyomissing contacted her about having the library be part of the Independence Day festivities on July 4, 2021 by hosting the Rubber Duck Race. After careful consideration, the library Board decided to move forward with this fundraiser. Vicki Jenckes offered to organize the Rubber Duck Race. Each Board member will be asked to pre-sell ducks. Marge will email Board members more details about this fundraiser.

Treasurer's Report: Vicki Jenckes

1. Vicki presented the library's Operating Budget and Cash Flow report. She reported that the month of May ended in a positive, and the overall finances are encouraging. There are no programs that need to be dropped at this time.

Corresponding Secretary: No Report

Librarian's Report: Colleen Stamm

- 1. Library Usage Statistics for May, 2021
 - a. Materials circulation: 3,041 items. That was a 3478% increase compared to the same month last year.
 - b. Overdrive eBooks: 437 downloads; That was a 43% increase compared to the same month last year.
 - c. People: 1,654 people entered the library; there were no accesses in the same month last year due to the pandemic.
 - d. Computer Users: there were 127 accesses for the month; there were no accesses in the same month last year due to the pandemic.
 - e. Children's programming: 62 patrons participated in the children's activities; this was a 48% decrease compared to the same month last year.
 - f. Children's Recorded Programs: 171 Total Views on YouTube
 - g. Adult Programming: 91 patrons took part in our activities. A 550% increase compared to the same month last year.
 - h. Recorded Adult Programs: 36 Total Views on YouTube
 - i. Hoopla: there were 285 accesses for the month; an 5% increase compared to the same month last

year.

- j. Wireless Internet Users: 117 people used the library Wi-Fi access; a 290% increase compared to the same month last year.
- k. AWE Early Literacy Stations: 0 accesses. There were no accesses in the same month last year due to the pandemic.
- 2. Other
 - a. On June 1st, the Library "open" hours were extended again. The library is now open 47 hours/week. We are open Mon-Thurs 10AM-7PM, Friday 10AM-5PM, and Saturday 9AM-1PM. In June, we are planning to extend "open" hours to 47 hours/week.
 - b. The library is planning to host our annual Summer Reading Program. It is a 5-week program that will begin on June 28. It will be a mix of virtual and in-person programs. Since we don't have a Children's Librarian, Drew Miller, one of our part-time staff members, has offered to organize this year's Summer Reading Program this summer.
- 3. Personnel
 - a. Colleen reported that she has received 3 applications for the Children's Librarian position. She hopes to begin interviews this month.

Committee Reports:

- 1. Fundraising/Community Affairs: Ann Dybalski
 - a. Lace Up for the Library 5K Run
 - i. This event was held on Saturday, June 12th. We did not get the turn out that we had expected. Ann reported that we had 20 runners, including a person who came from New Jersey to participate in the 5K. She also discussed some of the lessoned the committee learned. Ann reported that the committee is planning to organize this event again next year, but they will begin planning much earlier.
 - b. Summer Block Party
 - i. Ann Dybalski reported that the board would like to host the Summer Block Party and Yard Sale again this year. Ann is looking to host this event on August 7 or 14. Ann will email Board members the details as we get closer to the event.

2. Association Membership:

- a. The Association Donation 5-year report was distributed. Colleen Stamm reported that the Association mailer was sent to the post office after the last Board meeting. From June 1-14, 2021, the library received over \$8,000 in donations.
- 3. Nominating: No Report
- 4. Corporate Sponsorship: No Report

Unfinished Business:

1. None.

New Business:

1. Marge Vath announced that the Board does not meet in July and August. The next Board meeting will be Monday, September 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM. This meeting will be held in-person in the library's community room.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Meeting Minutes submitted by Colleen Stamm

Next Board Meeting: Monday, September 20, 2021 at 7:00 PM in the library's Community Room.