Wellman Library Board Minutes (1/9/23)

- I. Roll Call
 - A. Call To Order: 6:37 p.m.
 - B. Absent: Bud Juilfs
- II. No Guests
- III. Correspondence
 - A. Contract from Architect
- IV. Approval of Agenda
 - A. Motion to approve agenda by Becca Droll. Second by Marcus Miller.
- V. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Motion to approve minutes by Ashleigh Nelson. Second by Chad Surom.
- VI. Approval of December 2022 Bills
 - A. See Separate Document
 - B. Motion to approve bills by Melody Rowe. Second by Marcus Miller.
- VII. Director's Report
 - A. Present to Board of Supervisors
 - B. Privacy Issue with Parents and Children
 - 1. Parents are not allowed to see the books their children check out.
 - 2. Could possibly affect future funding.
 - C. Income and Expenditures (See Director's Report)
 - D. Christmas Party
 - E. Number of Library Patrons down the past two months.
 - F. Volunteer: Erik Schneider
 - G. Motion to approve Director's Report by Chad Surom. Second by Marcus Miller.
- VIII. Committee Reports
 - A. None
- IX. Unfinished Business
 - A. Architectural Contract
 - 1. The City of Wellman has approved it.
 - 2. Director is going to double-check to make sure the City Attorney has approved the contract.
 - 3. Waiting for Bank Loan (Line of Credit)

- 4. Bidding Process (Three week window)
 - a) Typically the lowest bid, however, City of Wellman has final approval.
- 5. Motion to approve the Architectural Contract by Becca Droll. Second by Chad Surom (Pending approval by the City Attorney)

B. Fundraising

- 1. Possibly at Benders Bar and Grill
 - a) QR Code; 'Pass the Bucket'
- 2. Reach out to Cilino's and DJ's Casual Cafe about working with them
- 3. One Night Fundraisers
 - a) Possibility of a 'Trivia Night' at the Kalona Brewing Company
 - Held during the time period between Football and Basketball seasons.
- 4. Possibility of placing 'Donation Jars at local businesses
- 5. Other Fundraising Ideas
 - a) Holding a 'Glow-a-Thon'
 - b) Event around July 4th (possibly involving a Dinosaur theme)
- C. Temporary Library Move
 - 1. Austin Bayliss is working on a contract for use of the Driscoll Studio building
 - a) Attorney will look over the contract, then the Library Board will approve it.
 - 2. Things To Consider Prior To The Actual Move
 - a) Limit the number of books being checked out.
 - b) May limit the number of books on the shelves.
 - c) Begin packing up in April.
 - d) Library must continue to be open a certain number of hours to keep accreditation.
 - e) Books must be boxed up a certain way in order to keep everything organized.
 - f) Boxes of books cannot be over a certain weight.
 - g) Director will look into acquiring the number of boxes and packing tape needed for the move.

- h) Possible 'Procession of People' to carry books to the temporary location.
- X. New Business
 - A. Carbonite (KCTC)
 - 1. \$75 Bill
 - 2. Despite what the Director was told, the City of Wellman never removed the library from its account
 - 3. KCTC signed up the Wellman Library for a 3-year contract for an annual fee of \$800.
 - 4. In addition, there have been issues with monthly maintenance.
 - B. Five-Year Strategic Plan
 - 1. Encourage Curiosity
 - 2. Inspire Imagination
 - 3. Create a Welcoming Space for All
 - 4. Make a Flipbook on the Library's Website.
 - 5. Putting together past ideas into one document.
 - Motion to Approve Strategic Plan by Melody Rowe. Second by Becca Droll.
 - C. Budget
 - 1. Last year's Budget stayed the same.
 - 2. Current Year
 - a) \$1 Raise for employees
 - b) 'Cost of Living' Increase
 - c) There was a \$280 decrease in the Library Director's salary
 - d) There was a \$520 decrease in money spent for part-time employees
 - e) Recommendation that there should be a set amount for raises, plus an extra budgeted amount for 'cost of living.'
 - f) Possibility of decreasing the 'Postage' budget
 - g) Possibility of decreasing the 'Books' budget
 - h) Question raised: Do we need to budget more money for office furniture?
 - i) Recommendation there be an official policy for granting raises.
 - j) Recommendation there be an official 'Personnel Policy'

- k) Possibility of an employee requesting a 'Performance Review.'
- XI. Comments, Questions, and Other Business
 - A. None
- XII. Motion to Adjourn meeting at 8:04 p.m
- XIII. Next meeting: February 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.