Carpenter Carse Library Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

Wednesday, April 28, 2021 7:00pm via Zoom

Attendees: Katherine Kjelleren, Heather Roberts, Paul Lamberson, Jim Jarvis, Emily Alger, Marianna Holzer, Catherine Moller, Susan Evans McClure and Beth Royer

Secretary's Reports:

Minutes from the March 24th meeting were reviewed. Jim moved to accept. Emily 2nd. Approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Reviewed the P&L. Looks like electricity is about 64% below budget. Could light bulbs be having that big an impact? Beth reminded us that we haven't been using as much electricity with the library closed to the public. Also, billing has been switched to a credit card so it is delayed a month in showing up in the P&L.

Bank balances are great. VCF funds are growing along with the market as a whole despite our pandemic-related fears.

Beth hasn't done anything regarding bonuses yet. With our approval at last month's meeting, she will move forward.

Susan moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Jim 2nd. Approved.

Directors Report:

Beth put together a re-opening plan. Open on a limited basis as of June 1st and more browsing by July 4th. Community Room use on a case-by-case basis until fully reopened. Paul cautioned that we need to have a standard so there are no allegations of discrimination.

Programs moving outside as they are able.

Staff is being trained on Aspen Discovery.

Staff has all had at least one vaccine.

Marianna moved to accept. Susan 2nd. Approved.
Committee Reports:

Facilities:
Solar installation has been delayed.

Fundraising:
Catherine had a fundraising idea. Hill Market & Deli (the old Cider Mill) on Dorset Street, owned by Catherine’s friend, holds weekly BBQ meals with a % going to a different non-profit each week. The amount raised is usually $200-$400. Catherine’s friend will let us know what date we are assigned.

A patron offered to pay to have their favorite tree surgeon prune the trees around the library.

Old Business:
None.

New Business:
Katherine asked about the new culvert and why there is no guardrail or other barrier to keep people from sliding into it. Beth will look into it and is also planning to ask about the grass seed planted last fall that has not taken.

Jim suggested that we should publish our meeting details on FPF to keep with open meeting laws. Paul cautioned against putting Zoom links out that could result in Zoom bombing. We could offer an email address that allows folks to request a link to the Zoom. Beth will combine with postings for other library programs.

Paul moved to adjourn. Jim 2nd. The next meeting is Wednesday, May 26th at 7:00pm. Adjourned at 7:35pm.