

Washington Free Public Library

Regular Meeting Minutes- May 26, 2022

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Harold Frakes at 9:30 a.m. with Mike Kramme, Gary Murphy, Isabella Santoro and Ex-Officio Cary Ann Siegfried, in attendance.

Approval of Minutes: Kramme moved to approve the April 28, 2022 minutes, seconded by Murphy. The motion was approved.

Approval of Financial Reports: a. Expenditures & Account Balances- Santoro moved to accept the financial reports. The motion was seconded by Kramme, and was approved.

Library Services Report: Siegfried noted that statistics continue to show an upward trend in most areas.

Old Business: a. Washington County Library Association Training- Siegfried indicated that plans to hold training for all Washington County library boards related to library funding is likely to occur on July 21st or July 28th. Board members indicated that either of those dates will work. Becky Heil, State Library consultant will be the trainer and it will occur in Washington, beginning in the late afternoon on one of those dates. Siegfried will update the board with the final date is chosen.

New Business: a. Juneteenth Celebration programming- Siegfried shared the Juneteenth Celebration programming flier with the board noting the programs occurring at the Library.

b. Review of Washington Public Library Board Bylaws- Updates to the bylaws included corrections in the chapter number of Washington City Code that is referred to in the Bylaws, the addition of a Powers and Duties section and the addition of a section regarding delegation of work to committees. Board members pointed out that some renumbering also needed to occur in the draft presented. Santoro made the motion to accept the draft as presented with changes in the numbering as discussed. Kramme seconded the motion and it was approved.

c. Music and Art Committee proposed structure- Siegfried proposed that the process by which the Music and Art Committees operate and by which members are appointed be formalized in order to assure accountability to the board. It was proposed that each committee be made up of one Library Board member, one Library Foundation Board member, and 2-3 members of the community with interest and involvement in either music or art. Appointments would be made by the board without term limits and regular reports to the board would occur. Kramme made the motion to approve the proposal, Murphy seconded and it was approved. Discussion of appointments will be made at the next meeting.

d. Donor wall redesign process. Siegfried presented a "Call to Graphic Artists" document intended to accomplish the redesign of the Library's donor wall.

e. May 11 Foundation Board meeting update. Siegfried updated the Board on agenda items from the May 11 Foundation Board meeting.

Next Meeting: Several board members indicated conflicts with the next board meeting date and it was proposed that since there are 5 Thursdays in June that the meeting be moved to the fifth Thursday. A motion was made to change the meeting date for June 30 at 9:30 am by Santoro. The motion was seconded by Murphy and approved. The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Cary Ann Siegfried, ex-officio member (in the absence of the secretary and co-secretary)