

Library board meeting June 20, 2023 5:30 pm

In attendance: Jean Dexheimer, Staci King, Sean McPherson, Vince Neal, Staci Ross, Jordan Feagley, Colleen Denne

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 pm

The minutes from the May meeting were read. There was a motion by Staci K. 2nd by Jordan to accept the minutes with one correction of a typo.

Library statistics for May were handed out and gone over. We acknowledged the growth of the library in comparison to 2022.

Staff update was given. Charlene and Colleen interviewed candidates for the jr circulation clerk position. They offered the position to Cierra Epps who currently works with children at the Shady Lane School. She also has past library experience. Megan, who is part time accepted a full time position at Millvale Library. The part time aide position was offered to one of the jr circulation candidates and he accepted. However, yesterday he emailed stating that he had thought about it over the weekend and decided that is not what he really wanted to do. So, the search continues for a part time aide. Suggestions were made to contact different people at Pitt who may be able to help find a student interested in part time work.

We discussed possibly doing a September fundraiser. Colleen mentioned that we had a large donation that covered most of the expenses for the fundraiser last year and it was decided that if we were given a large donation again we would continue with plans for a fundraiser this year, but if not, we would wait and have a larger one next year.

Some ideas for fundraising were suggested. Jean mentioned that when another organization she worked with listed a specific goal for the fundraising the goal was met. Jordan suggested talking to the school about lists of books for summer reading and the library raising funds to cover the costs of buying each child the books on the list. Jordan also mentioned that the Dolly Imagination program only covers people who live in the 15221 zip code of Wilkinsburg, which leaves out the children who live in 15235. He suggested the library raise the funds to cover the cost of children in 15235 being able to receive the books also.

Staci K. mentioned the Wilkinsburg School alumni are always raising money for any organizations in Wilkinsburg. She suggested we ask them. Staci R. also suggested a go fund me page for help with raising money.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 pm. Jordan made the motion, 2nd by Staci K. and all were in favor.