

**Indian Valley Public Library  
Board of Trustees  
May 16, 2024**

**Attendance:** Alex, Suzi, Doug, Beth Steve, Penny, Michelle, Elise, Janelle, Margie IVPL Director Stephanie, FOF representative.

President Steve Boell called the meeting to order at 8:02 AM.

**Consent Agenda:** Margie highlighted that circulation continues to rise. Downloadable materials and books are increasing. Library of Things has great success, with the addition of a blue ray player. The power washer continues to be the most popular. The staff will add as the needs arise. Museum pass appeals were sent out to local businesses for sponsorship. Bucks Co. Children's Museum and the Elmwood Park Zoo are both extremely favorable from patrons. Consent agenda motion made by Alex, with a second from Beth.

**Facilities:** Suzi continues to work hard for the improvements around the library, inside, and out. Despite a short delay with the start date, restroom renovations are expected to be complete during the first week of June. FC is satisfied with the safety measures in place. Staff reported some early confusion about available restroom locations, but added signage has helped. The concrete sidewalk repair project is currently in progress. Rain delays will push back the cement work but should be complete next week. Roof replacement scheduled for Friday may have a weather delay.

**Foundation of Friends:** Stephanie reported a very successful donor appreciation event held last month. With the event, the FOF was able to garner new volunteers, exclusive to the FOF and their events. The annual appeal was sent out in the mail. Concert Sundaes- June 9<sup>th</sup>. Beer fest continues to develop. Volunteers are needed for a day of, prep and takedown. Promotional materials have been sent to Landis Market to be stuffed into all bags. The bottom of the flyer has Dinner in White information. Bogey Monsters and Book Bans: Considering Youth Perspectives...on Myths in Debates around Children, presented by Dr. Jason Griffith is an Assistant Professor of Language and Literacy Education at Penn State University. A certificate will be presented by Bud prior to the speaking engagement.

**Personal:** Executive session on the details of the retirement of current library director, Margie Stern. Tracey will start with IVPL On June 3, 2024. Margie will remain as a consultant to the staff and Tracey during the transitional period.

**Marketing:** Announcement of the new director went out in early May. Letters and communications from the BOT sent to each municipality. Special thank you from the Boell family on behalf of Norman with is Eagle Scout door hanger project.

**Finance:** No official report

**New/ Old Business:** Review of the strategies plan 2024. Notes on work ahead and a reflection on what has been accomplished. Gratitude towards Margie and her years of excellence.

**Public Comment:** None

**Executive Session:** Personnel Matter Motioned by Elise and a second of Alex.  
Motion to adjourn led by Alex with a second of Beth.

With gratitude from the Board of Trustees to Margie. We thank you for your years of leadership and dedication to IVPL. Thank you for your vision and execution of the strategic plan as well as facilitating fundraising. The growth of the FOF and BOT have flourished in part through your talents and gifts. Margie, your presence will be highly missed and irreplaceable. Thank you on behalf of the Board of Trustees. Wishing you the best in your next adventure. Enjoy the travels!

Respectfully submitted,  
Janelle M. Adams  
Secretary