



Indian Valley Public Library

Board of Trustees

June 20, 2024

Attendance: Doug, Suzi, Janelle, Penny, Alex, Steve, Michelle, Elise, Beth, Stephanie; FOF Representative, Tracey Reed; IVPL Executive Director (Welcome!)

President Steve Boell called the board meeting to order at 7:59 AM on June 20, 2024.

Consent Agenda:

Minutes- No changes or corrections

Director's Report:

Margie Stern prepared the monthly report, Tracey delivered. Summer is busy for IVPL. Tracey is settling into her new role and loving every minute. She is excited to become a thread of our community.

Librarian Nicole along with IVPL staff and the district team will present author Dhonielle Clayton in person at the library on August 26, 2024. Her presentation will be live streamed out to the other libraries, two were selected among all the libraries.

Author, Dhonielle Clayton is a New York Times bestselling author of The Conjureverse series, The Belles series, Shattered Midnight, co-author of Blackout, Whiteout, The Rumor Game, and of the Tiny Pretty Things duology, a Netflix original series. She hails from the Washington, D.C. suburbs on the Maryland side. She taught secondary school for several years, and is a former elementary and middle school librarian. She is COO of the non-profit We Need Diverse Books. She is the President and founder of Cake Creative and Electric Postcard Entertainment, IP story companies creating diverse books for all ages where she's conceptualized and sold over 55 books, including the Tristan Strong series, Promise Boys, Love Radio, the Love Sugar Magic series, and more. She's an avid traveler, and always on the hunt for magic and mischief. <https://www.dhonielleclayton.com/>

Consent Agenda- Alex made a motion to approve, with a second from Beth.

Treasurer's Report/ Finance Report:

Finance Committee (Doug, Beth, Elise all present) met on June 6th and discussed the following items:

Plans to maintain interest income when interest rates start to decrease (preliminary options include CDs, intermediate bond mutual funds among possible options....) Possibility of investing a portion of our funds for more growth and income potential. (Must discuss possibility and legal ramifications with solicitor, not completed yet.) Discussed the history and future of the "Task Force Funding Committee." We need to plan for future long term funding by entities as PA laws are updated and reflect funding changes.

Concert Sundaes net proceeds estimate is expected to be \$1550, with an additional \$90. The FOF is hoping to be selected next summer for a Sunday in the park.

Cost of Margie's retirement party was split 50/50 between the BOT and FOF. \$1852 reimbursement was asked of Steve Boell for putting the charge on his credit card. Motion made by Janelle with a second of Alex.

Facilities: Facilities:

Successful completion of Sidewalk repair, Roof replacement and Restroom Renovation since mid-May. Patrons and Staff have been asked to try out all the new fixtures for 30 days at which time FC will do a review and make any necessary changes. Successful installation of Energy efficient, environmentally friendly, 100% ADA compliant, Single user Restrooms with Family friendly features were only possible because of donations from IVPL supporters. Painting also completed on older doors and frames after many years of "cart abuse." Thanks to volunteer Jeff Childs who came in very early during off hours to complete this long needed refresh.

After the latest event of late night dumping, Waste Management has delivered 2 new containers with lock bars to deter illegal dumping into our trash and recycling containers.

Wish list to be created by both boards and staff. The facilities report will be updated and work in conjunction with the strategic plan.

Foundation of Friends:

President Bud met with Telford Council, they are seeking a representative on the FOF board. The council will suggest names to IVPL. New members are joining this summer, including Harleysville Bank manager, Souderton location. FOF is designing a future leaders of prospects for the board. The by laws are being revised, specifically the at large

members, to include patrons if the library becoming a member of the FOF. The BOT suggested junior council members from the respective municipalities. Reach out to the candidates not selected to join the future leaders of the FOF. Focus will become young parents to help develop projects. John Taylor piece on Dr Griffith, who presented last month on Bogey Monsters and Book Bans: Considering Youth Perspectives...on Myths in Debates around Children.

Janelle added, Wine Tasting committee has been selected and will be meeting June 20, 2024 to start planning. Event will be held at the library on November 9, 2024.

Personnel:

No report. Committee to meet in the fall to rewrite the Executive director evaluation.

Marketing:

The Energy Station Ad will run for a year at the cost of \$450. Content can change quarterly to reflect our events and programs. Chamber of Commerce Ads, working with FOF to run a four week placement within their email newsletter at a cost of \$185. Roll out of the new library director with the local municipalities and community. Round table key stake holders in the community to partner with. Marketing committee is seeking a better way to communicate from both the BOT and FOF overall.

Old Business: Nothing to report

New Business:

Crisis Management- develop a plan internally and externally. New committee to be constructed including both board representatives and staff members. The committee will draft a plan to propose to the board of trustees for review.

Community Room policy update. See policy below.

Municipal Resolutions:

Tracey reported the office of commonwealth libraries annual report may be requiring libraries in PA to have a signed municipal resolutions. Historically is has been encouraged but not required, this year the documents may be required with little notes. In preparation Tracey will work with each municipal board member to draft and present the document to each municipality. The document needs to state that the local government area is receiving services from IVPL. If this is not in place it could threaten the state aide. The resolution will need to be voted and approved at each townships meeting prior to the New Year.

Public Comment:

Shawna Boell of Franconia, FOF board member and Dinner in White chair, asked the board of trustees to donate bottles of wine. The wine can be white or red at least \$10 in value to be part of the wine pull at Dinner in White. Boell also asked for donations from local small businesses and the community ranging from \$10- \$100 for the silent auction and raffle baskets. sponsors are still needed for the August event.

Steve made a motion to end the meeting, at 9:01 AM. A motion made by Alex and Michelle seconding.

Respectfully submitted,

Janelle M. Adams

Secretary