Vernon Public Library Board Meeting Agenda

Call To Order

March 13, 2024 @ 6:00 pm Lori 1st Amy 2nd

Attendees

Amanda Moyer-Director Lori Klopfer- President Kaylee Sierson-Vice-President Melanie Catello-Treasurer Amy Lince-Secretary Robin Vanderwall, and Andrew Catello-Community Members

Absent

Jessica Yerdon-Trustee

Previous Meeting Minutes

February minutes were approved.

Motion to approve: Kaylee Seconded: Melanie All in Favor: yes

Public Comment

We had two community members attend our board meeting. The following were some of their questions and suggestions.

- What tax dollars has the library received from the Town of Vernon, and or the Village of Vernon. The response provided was the library received \$3,000.00 from the Town of Vernon, and \$1,500.00 from the Village of Vernon.
- Inquired about future funding for the library.
- There was a discussion that the library will close its doors in December of this year, if the 259 vote does not pass, and or the library's 501c3 is not approved by the I.R.S.
- There was a suggestion that the library contact a Congressional Representative that has contacts with the I.R.S that provides constituent services, and for the library to make clear that we will have to close doors.
- What are the differences between the 259 vote and 414 vote. The response provided was that the 259 vote is open to all of the VVS community, but the 114 vote is open to the Vernon community only.
- What are the age group demographics for the library. The response provided was that the library is reaching the 17-25 year age group, but the 30-50 year age group is actually present at the library.
- How are we currently promoting the library to the community. The response provided was that the library provides book sales, and are currently on the newsletter for the Town of Vernon, and the calendar for the Vernon Fire Department. A community member suggested the library provide promotional ads for birthday parties, and have gaming groups at no charge to the community.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was provided and reviewed at the meeting. The checking account balance as of 02/29/24 was \$2,899.39.

Director's Report

The Director's Report was not available at the time of the meeting. There was a request for black paper for the April crafts.

Fundraising Committee

A report was provided at the meeting for the heart heart tower event in February, donations, book sales, and there was no gift basket raffle for February.

Upcoming Fundraiser Ideas-

Planned

Spring tower.

Raffle basket ideas with games, movies, treats and more to be posted on Facebook.

Discussed the option of the Spring Craft show on May 18th at Wettel Elementary School. The money for the craft space will be withdrawn from the fundraising account.

Motion to approve: Kaylee Seconded: Melanie All in Favor: yes

Non-Fundraising Ideas-

Kids crafts, book sales.

Motion to approve above Reports: Kaylee Seconded: Melanie All in Favor: yes

Unfinished Business

501c3 Updates- No updates at time of the meeting.

259 Vote Updates- Our attorney, Robert Schofield, reached out to the attorney representing the VVS School District and their last date of contact was on 03/12/24. We are currently in good standing with the steps in process.

New Business

259 Committee Creation

At the advice of our legal counsel, the Board discussed the creation of a 259 Committee that would consist of a minimum of three Board members, with possible alternates in the event of committee members' absence. The purpose of the committee would be to make small decisions, such as marketing, outside of the monthly board meetings. Board members Kaylee Sierson, Melanie Catello, and Lori Klopfer will be the committee members, with Amy Lince as an alternate in the event of committee members' absence.

Executive Session

Motion to move to Executive Session: Lori Seconded: Melanie All in Favor: yes

Move out of Executive Session

Motion to move out of Executive Session: Kaylee Seconded: Melanie All In Favor: yes

Adjournment

The next Board Meeting will be April 10th at 6 pm.

The meeting closed at 6:57 pm.

Motion to Adjourn: Lori Seconded: Melanie All in Favor: yes