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# Vernon Public Library Board Meeting Agenda

## Call To Order

May 8, 2024 @ 6:08 pm Lori 1st Amy 2nd

## Attendees

Board Members Present: Lori Klopfer- President, Kaylee Sierson-Vice-President, Jessica Yerdon-Trustee, Melanie Catello-Treasurer, Amy Lince-Secretary  
Others Present: Amanda Moyer, Director, Wanda Bruchis-Executive Director Mid-York Library System

## Previous Meeting Minutes

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

## Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed at the meeting.

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

## Director's Report

The Director's Report was reviewed at the meeting.

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

## Fundraising Committee

The Fundraising Committee Report was reviewed at the meeting.

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

## 259 Vote Committee

There were two 259 vote mailing options presented at the board meeting. There was the option of the mailer that was discussed and created by the 259 Committee on the dates of 04/24 and 04/27, and the option of a postcard. The majority voted to approve the postcard.

Motion to approve: Melanie      Seconded: Jessica      All in Favor: no

Kaylee and Amy respectfully dissent from this vote.

## Unfinished Business

**501c3 Updates-** The library received the official 501c3 document in the mail today.

## **New Business**

### **New Board Members-**

Community member and Verona Fire Department volunteer Richard Lagoy expressed an interest in becoming a board member.

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

### **Public Comment Policy-**

Board member Lori Klopfer created and presented a mock public comment policy. Board members Jessica Yerdon and Amy Lince-Secretary will create this policy and present at the June Board meeting.

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

### **Creation of Committees-**

### **Building and Grounds-**

Board member, Kaylee Sierson, volunteered to chair this committee for the purpose of maintaining a budget and a more structured report for the maintenance of the building and surrounding grounds. The items discussed were a new library sign, solar lighting, mulch, shrubs, insulation, and a new furnace. The Board voted to table this until after the 259 school ballot vote in June.

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

**Summer Program-**The Board voted to table this until after the 259 school ballot vote in June.

### **By-Laws Revision-**

There was a recommendation that the By-Laws be reviewed annually and be revised based on current standards. Board member, Kaylee Sierson will create a revision to our current By-Laws.

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

### **Request to have June's meeting be at 6:30pm-**

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

### **Funding Requests-**

Board member, Kaylee Sierson requested that the Board reapproach the Town of Vernon to request a funding donation for \$3,000.00.

Motion to approve: Kaylee    Seconded: Jessica    All in Favor: yes  
Board member, Kaylee Sierson suggested the Board do a similar donation request mailing like the Vernon Fire Department. Board member Lori Klopfer agreed to the suggestion after the 259 school ballot vote.

### **Book Donations-**

The Board has agreed to continue accepting book donations, specifically adult fiction, and children's books.

### **Public Comment**

- Wanda Bruchis clarified that the 259 school ballot vote was not a mandatory request, but rather a recommendation by the state library. Additionally, the power lies within the community to vote for or against the library.
- Will the library pursue other fundraising and not continue with the 259 school ballot vote now that our 501c3 has been approved.
- The following documents were requested; the Annual Report, By-Laws, and both the 2023 Director's and Treasurer's Reports. President Lori Klopfer responded that the Annual Report has not been completed yet, and that after a diligent search, the 2023 Director's and Treasurer's Reports are not available.
- There was a concern expressed with the structure of the current Board.
- There was a suggestion for the Board to first pursue the 414 vote.
- Jessica Yerdon-Trustee handed in her resignation letter.
- A community member suggested that our school ballot vote mailing be a very clear legal document and presented examples of postcard vote mailings.
- There was a concern expressed if Rome residents that are in the VVS District will be provided a 259 school ballot vote mailer, and Lori Klofer, President responded yes the VVS school district will do the mailing on our behalf as they have every address in the VVS district.

### **Executive Session-**

None

### **Adjournment**

The next Board Meeting will be June 12th at 6:30 pm.

The meeting closed at 7:33 pm.

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