

Minutes
MarLA Board Meeting
February 21, 2022 (via ZOOM)
7:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Beth Honetschlager, Jim Maher, Elaine Larson, Janice Hunton, Annie Minnich, Debra Smith, Lynn Bjorkman, Mary Burke, Anne Keogh, Deb Yanker Black

Members Absent:

Laurie Schmidt, Debra Smith, Sophia Spizak

Also Present:

Gwen Roden, Christine Maefsky

Agenda

Welcome and Call to Order – Jim

Reading of Land Acknowledgement Statement – Jim

Secretary's Report – Jim

- Minutes of December meeting were presented.
- Jim moved to approve, Elaine seconded; minutes were unanimously approved

Treasurer's Report – Lynn

- Review of financials
- Statement of financial position
- The board approved a budget for 2022 that projects a deficit of \$7,600 based on donation and expense assumptions
- Jordan Bequest update: Washington County has agreed to reimburse the trust for interest owed and costs for the WA book-drop

Slate of Officers approved:

- Jim Maher, president
- Beth Honetschlager, vice president
- Anne Keogh, treasurer
- Janice Hunton, secretary

New board members approved:

- Deb Yanker Black
- Anne Keogh
- Sophia Spisak, youth member

Committee Reports

Children's Programing – Ruth Willius

- Science art camp: registration open two days, with a lottery to choose participants
- Family fun nights will return
- Preschool story times will return
- Requesting RSVP for participants to help inform presenters
- Reading incentive program
- Red Bridge Preschool story time

Operations – Mary

- Volunteer handbook – updated draft done, currently being edited
- Laptop for patron use while in library – in process
- Masks in library – continue to follow WA county libraries requirements, volunteers need training to know how to handle patrons not wearing masks.
- Refresher training will resume in spring for volunteers
- Internet service provider – Mary will pursue soon
- Question – will we have a printer available for patron use?

Adult Programming – Jim

- Ryan Rodgers on Thursday February 24, 2022 via Zoom
- April program connected to the Big Read, featuring National Poet Laureate Joy Harjo; Marine Library will be hosting Dr. Brenda Child who will be talking about the jingle dress tradition
- River Radio continuing

Collections – Beth

- Finalizing list of new acquisitions to purchase
- Maintaining and adding to DVD collection as not every patron has good access to streaming services
- Gwen suggested we look at the DVDs for sale at the General Store

Communications – Elaine

- Working on 10-year report, Sue Knapp will design special 10-year logo
- Possible ways to get the word out about the Marine Library: send postcard to Scandia, Marine, May; survey also possible; suggestion to bring back bookmobile for historic retro feel
- Estimated we sent out 30 sent out Mailchimp notices last year, 46% read
- Marine volunteer drive scheduled for this year in March or April

Fundraising – Jim

- letter response was excellent, details included in treasurer's report
- nothing more planned until later in the year

Art – Jim

- Finalizing artist for March
- Exhibitors lined up for remainder of year

Next board meeting:

April 18, 2022

Adjourn 8:17 p.m.