

MINUTES
RIVER FALLS LIBRARY FOUNDATION
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2023

Call to order President Montgomery called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm

In Attendance Ostness, Metro, Montgomery, Westerhaus, Jacobs, Jacobson, Wolfe, Trautmiller, Misselt

Introduction of Guest: Mike Metro, Library Board of Trustees; Dave Ostness

Approval of Minutes from August 30, 2023

The minutes were approved as written; Motion to approve by Westerhaus, second by Jacobs; motion carried.

Financial Report

Treasurer Wolfe reported:

- Wolfe had clarified that we have limited withdrawals without penalties through SCVF

Director's Report

Director Misselt reported:

- The plaque is finished for the Symes Bench
- The Feasibility & Campaign Presentations have been postponed due to the need to focus on long-range library budget challenges.
- At the last Library Board of Trustees Meeting there was a lively conversation with City Administration about the library's city services contract and limits in library funding. The Library Board voted to submit an amended contract for City services and is awaiting a response.

Membership Report

Membership Coordinator Katie Chaffee was not present due to illness. Her daughter, Anna, dropped off her files to be maintained by Jacobson, who will temporarily take over for Chaffee.

Old Business

Report from Library Board of Trustees meeting:

- Westerhaus reported a "lively" meeting, which involved city government. There was a lot of questioning and emotional discussion involving the library finances in connection with the city.
- Power of 100 Women Grant-Oct. 5th meeting; Jacobson will represent the Foundation as a 501 (c) (3). The library is one of three presentations up for consideration of a \$10,000 grant. Foundation donation and membership forms will be left behind for potential personal donations, regardless of their decision.
- Quarterly newsletter went out in September.
- The Foundation revised the description of the Foundation for the library website, expressing our funding through donations in lieu of the description of "fundraising." The description also encompasses "strategic planning." There was also a distinction made

between the Foundation and the Board of Trustees in that the Foundation is a 501c3. The updated description and distinction will be reflected on the library website. Furthermore, the donation form will be updated as well.

- The Foundation will post a summarized version of the monthly minutes to the library website.

Schedule of Foundation Member attendance to Library Board of Trustees meeting

October 2- Montgomery
November 6- Trautmiller

New Business

No new business to report.

Adjournment President Montgomery adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

Next meeting October 25, 2023; 7 pm Library Board Room.